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BATON TWIRLERS ON PARADE

Cleveland-Euclid junior members have had great success and fun participating in the S.W.U. Baton Twirlers program. Their latest performances this summer include at the National Convention in Pittsburgh and various parades in Cleveland. Here they are in their new blue and white uniforms:

Row 1: Beth Perdan, Stacy Ward, Susan Urankar (Leader), De Anna Zingale, Debbie Perdan; row 2: Dana Zingale, Judy Budas, Danielle D'Amico, Kathy Kastelic, Kelly Koren; row 3: Kristen Freck, Denise Zingale, Carol Backman, Theresa Krizman, Kathy Blanc, Marie Jackson; row 4: Mary D'Amico Cheryl Vertosnik, Cathy Jackson, Betty Blanc, Tessie Dudek and Joyce Zabukovec.

They're all back to school this month as are our juniors all over the country. Good luck and good studies!



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN SEPTEMBER

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NATIONAL OFFICER:

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

BRANCH PRESIDENTS:

Sept. 1 — Anna Krager, Br. 39, Biwabik, Minn.

Sept. 3 — Mary Guzzol, Br. 3, Pueblo Colo.

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

Sept. 14 — Suntina Spehar, Br. 33, Duluth, Minn.

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

SECRETARIES:

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

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

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

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

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

Sept. 20 — Jennie Pugely, Br. 47, Garfield Hts., Ohio

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

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

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept. 12 — ILLINOIS-INDIANA STATE CONVENTION, Br. 20, Joliet, Ill.

Oct. 3 — WISCONSIN STATE CONVENTION and 50th ANNIVERSARY OF Br. 1, Sheboygan, Wis.

Oct. 3 — OHIO-MICHIGAN STATE CONVENTION, & 45th ANNIVERSARY OF Br. 50, SND, Holmes Ave., Cleveland, Ohio

Oct. 21 — MISC. CARD PARTY, Br. 17, West Allis, Wis. 7:30 p.m. St. Christine's Church

Oct. 27 — COMMEMORATIVE MASS, Br. 32, Euclid, O.

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1976 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Staci

Patricia

Susan

Naomi

It is the sincere pleasure of the Slovenian Women's Union to announce the scholarship winners for 1976. The selection of students by the scholarship committee was based on grade point average for the first 3½ years of their high school career and their need for financial assistance. The \$300.00 scholarships will be paid in two installments: \$150.00 at the beginning of each semester upon confirmation from their university or college registrar that the student is enrolled.

The four outstanding students who have been chosen for the 1976 scholarships are:

MISS STACI ANN SLEIGH, 28328 S.E. 424th St., Enumclaw, Washington; member of Branch No. 79 to study MEDICINE at the University of Washington; Seattle, Wash.

MISS PATRICIA HARSH, 13412 Schreiber Road; Valley View, Ohio; member of Branch No. 47 to major in ACCOUNTING at Miami University; Oxford, Ohio.

MISS SUSAN URANKAR, 18024 Nottingham Rd., Cleveland, Ohio; member of Branch No. 32 enrolling in ELEMENTARY EDUCATION at St. Mary's College; Notre Dame, Indiana.

MISS NAOMI TRINKO, 2132 W. 23rd St., Chicago, Ill.; member of Branch No. 2 to study PSYCHOLOGY at Loyola University; Chicago, Illinois.

Congratulations to these fine young women and may their academic success continue in their chosen college or university. Also, may they carry on their interest and participation in the Slovenian Women's Union.

Marie Prislant,
Mary Bostian,
Fanika Humar,
Antonia Turek, and

HERMINE DICKE, Chm.
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Scholarship Committee now presents the scholarship winners in "essay form". Each was asked to write a brief summary of "What the Slovenian Women's Union Means to Me". I think you will be pleased to know that many of the young people of Slovenian descent are proud of their Slovenian-American heritage as indicated in the following essays.

WHAT THE SLOVENIAN WOMEN'S UNION MEANS TO ME

Staci Ann Sleigh:

In relating my personal feelings of the meaning of the Slovenian Lodge, I would be obligated to reflect upon the criteria that makes for a successful interrelationship within any group.

The Slovenian Women's Union is companionship! The Lodge emits enjoyment, recreation, polkas, strudels, homeland, heritage, culture, togetherness, personal concern, the genuine giving of love and affection to another; this listing is endless!

When I was fifteen years of age, I was fortunate enough to take a trip to Yugoslavia with my mother, grandmother, and two friends. It was there, mingling with family members whom I had never met, that I learned the real meaning of the Slovenian Women's Union. I found that FAMILY, not necessarily by blood, but by heritage and culture, a willingness to help others, and to enjoy life with others because a common beginning was shared, is a great emotional experience.

This, I believe, is one of the most important meanings of the Slovenian Women's Union, and I thank God for my nationality.

Patricia Harsh:

The Slovenian women of America are very fortunate to have such a well-organized, nation-wide club as the Slovenian Women's Union. Through its activities, it hopes to stimulate enthusiasm among the younger Slovenians in keeping up the Slovenian traditions brought to the United States since two generations ago. I feel it necessary

and beneficial for every generation to have this heritage to pass along to the next generation, but I am sorry to say, it seems to me that a large portion of today's young generation is losing touch with this type of thing. Hopefully, though, the Slovenian heritage will not be lost.

I would like to thank each member of the Scholarship Committee and the entire Slovenian Women's Union for their many money-making efforts which have made it possible for me and the other 1976 scholarship recipients to be presented these awards.

Naomi Trinko:

During this Bicentennial year, I have felt great pride in my country and in being an American. These feelings are justified by the generous contributions of those who care enough to give of themselves. Such inspirational men and women include those of Slovenian ancestry. The development and preservation of Slovenian culture contributes to the enrichment of our country.

One important source of culture is the Slovenian Women's Union. Since its founding, the Union has provided an opportunity for ethnic identity among its members.

Membership in the Slovenian Women's Union allows me to realize the importance of my heritage. Slovenian customs are an integral part of both my parish and community with the organization represented in various events. Through participation in the activities of the Slovenian Women's Union, I have observed the important bond that

unifies the Slovenian people and enables the culture to flourish.

With the emphasis today placed on one's personal heritage, the Slovenian Women's Union has instilled in me a sense of pride in myself, in my heritage, and in my country.

Susan Urankar:

I have spent the past six years teaching and taking baton lessons in the Slovenian Women's Union Twirlettes, an experience that has prepared me for college and my major, Elementary Education. The SWU is a wonderful organization which has enabled me to meet many new people, consequently, making new friends.

Being a debutante was an experience I can never forget. I am grateful to the Union for a beautiful evening when I was a "Cinderella." This year, I counseled the '76 Debs and it was really a great feeling — I could see how excited and anxious they felt and how radiant they looked. All the girls were very friendly and kind which reflects back on their parents and the Slovenian Women's Union.

The S.W.U. means an organization which helps you in the future and shapes you into a strong person, an individual with goals all your own. I thank the Union for everything and of course, the scholarship which will help me in my future education. I hope to be as active as I can in the future. However, I do have happy memories of a group of people who have cared about me and made me feel that I am important in this world. Thank you very much.

Scholarship Fund Income January thru June, 1976

The Scholarship Committee is indeed grateful to its many contributors who have so generously supported the Scholarship Fund. At the national convention, in May, it was quite thrilling to receive a \$1,000.00 check from Branch No. 50 of Cleveland, Ohio with additional donations from delegates and officers amounting to \$994.00. Those contributors were acknowledged individually in the July-August issue of ZARJA.

We wish to again thank the following Branches and persons who supported our Scholarship Fund from January 1 to June 30th, 1976:

Branch No. 50; Cleveland, Ohio	\$1,000.00
Additional contributions received at convention	994.00
Dorothy Planinscheck; Sheboygan, Wisc. in memory of her mother, Mrs. Mary Planinscheck	25.00
Dorothy Planinscheck; Sheboygan, Wis. in memory of Emma Planinscheck; Joliet, Ill in memory of Anna Mahkovec	5.00
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The following contributed in memory of Cecelia Novak; Branch No. 12; Milwaukee, Wis.	
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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilhelm; West Milwaukee	5.00
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Mrs. Mary Maren; Milwaukee	5.00
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Mrs. Gertude Schunk; Milwaukee	3.00
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John and Anna Pachak; Pueblo in memory of S.W.U. 50th anniversary	20.00

Respectfully submitted,
HERMINE DICKE, Chm.
 Scholarship Committee

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CONCLUDING CAMPAIGN TALLIES — PRE - CONVENTION MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

The additional 91 members below complete our pre-convention campaign tally with a grand total of 537 new members. We went over our goal! Congratulations all workers!

Br. No.	Worker	A	B	Jr.	Total	Br. Total
Br. 1	SHEBOYGAN, WISCONSIN					
	Marie Prislend	1	3	—	4	4
Br. 3,	PUEBLO, COLORADO					
	Anna Pachak	—	—	4	4	4
Br. 7,	FOREST CITY, PA.					
	Josephine Gastisha	1	—	1	1	1
Br. 10,	CLEVELAND, OHIO					
	Sophie Magayna	—	—	2	2	2
Br. 12,	MILWAUKEE, WIS.					
	Mary Dezman	—	—	2	2	
	Frances Plesko	—	—	1	1	
	Christine Boyance	—	—	1	1	4
Br. 13,	SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.					
	Josephine Aiuto	—	1	1	2	
	Mary Vras	—	1	—	1	3
Br. 14,	EUCLID, OHIO					
	Vera Bajec	—	1	1	2	2
Br. 17,	WEST ALLIS, WIS.					
	Roberta Marolt	—	—	2	2	2
Br. 20,	JOLIET, ILL.					
	Jeanette Skul	2	—	3	5	
	Louise Dobczyk	—	1	2	3	
	Emma Planinsek	1	1	—	2	
	Mildred Pucel	—	—	2	2	
	Ann Mulvey	—	—	1	1	
	Katherine Putrich	—	1	—	1	14
Br. 23,	ELY, MINN.					
	Barbara Rosandich	2	—	2	2	2
Br. 25,	CLEVELAND, OHIO					
	Christine Zivoder	—	3	3	3	3
Br. 26,	PITTSBURGH, PA.					
	Mary Slaney	—	5	—	5	5
Br. 32,	EUCLID, OHIO					
	Frances Ogorevc	1	—	2	3	
	Eleanor Jeran	—	1	—	1	
	Sandra Koren	2	—	3	5	
	Mary Bostian	—	1	—	1	10
Br. 38,	CHISHOLM, MINN.					
	Sylvia Russ	—	2	—	2	2
Br. 41,	CLEVELAND, OHIO					
	Jane Kaplan	2	—	2	4	4
Br. 43,	MILWAUKEE, WIS.					
	Rose Kraemer	—	2	—	2	
	Mary Kyle	—	—	4	4	
	Ann Reberniksek	—	1	1	2	8
Br. 42,	MAPLE HGTS., OHIO					
	Mary Champa	1	—	2	3	3
Br. 45,	PORTLAND, ORE.					
	Alice Vidan	—	1	—	1	1
Br. 47,	GARFIELD HGTS., OHIO					
	Mary Ann Droblich	2	—	2	2	2
Br. 50,	CLEVELAND, OHIO					
	Ann Tercek	—	2	—	2	
	Mae Fabec	—	1	—	1	
	Ann Zalar	—	1	2	3	6
Br. 56,	HIBBING, MINN.					
	Agnes Barkis	1	—	—	1	
	Rose Maras	2	—	—	2	3
Br. 73,	WARRENSVILLE HGTS., OHIO					
	Louise Epley	—	—	1	1	1

NEW CAMPAIGN AHEAD

Way before we started our Cotillion Balls, they said it couldn't be done, too much work. It was followed thru and the results were very good to date. There have been many very positive comments on our Cotillion Ball of June 12. A number of members and guests told us they had a great evening. Family affairs like this always are good and create a fine feeling among all the people who attend. This is just an example of how well things can happen when we have the right people to work with. This now brings us up to a very exciting preview of what is coming up in the next four months. Our "Young at Heart Campaign," which ends December 31, 1976, is just anxious to enroll new members into our S.W.U. Junior League group and it's about time that the young adults have a campaign all on their own.

At the May, 1976, S.W.U. convention, half of the delegates promised to help the Youth Campaign be a solid success. Each delegate will personally receive all kinds of details on how to make our Youth Campaign a complete success. If every delegate, State President and the junior league members follow thru, it will be a grand effort to make our younger set see how wonderful it is to help build up our new generation to join the S.W.U. The only Youth Group to be known as the S.W.U. Junior League Leaders.

The dues are small; the rewards big. The age 16 to 25 is what we are looking for. Be the first to join in any branch as a Junior League Leader and then watch us grow. Write to the Youth Board Directors for any information you may need.

Youth Board Directors

Frances Sietz — Advisor
308 Richmond Rd.
Richmond Hts., Ohio 44143

Jane Kaplan — President
19309 Preston Rd.
Warrensville Hts., Ohio 44128

Dorothy Ann Winter — Vice-President
424 E. 157 St.
Cleveland, Ohio 44119

Helen Konkoy — Secretary-Treasurer
4686 W. 130 St.
Cleveland, Ohio 44135

Madeline Debevec — Publicity
1765 Pontiac Dr.
Euclid, Ohio 44117

The Youth Board is still looking for leaders among our Branches from the West, North and South parts of our wide-spread organization. If any member is interested in joining the Youth Board, please be sure to write to the above-named Directors who will help you.

YOUTH BOARD OF S.W.U.

Br. No.	Worker	A	B	Jr.	Total	Br. Total
Br. 76,	PITTSBURGH, PA.					
	Rose Kraemer	(43)	1	—	1	1
Br. 100,	FONTANA, CAL.					
	Mary Jasina	—	1	2	3	3
Br. 103,	WASHINGTON, D.C.					
	Elizabeth Cesnik	—	—	1	1	1
Totals		13	33	45	91	91

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JULY 1, 1976, HOME OFFICE, CHICAGO, ILL.

The Board of Directors met on Thursday, July 1st, 1976 at the Home Office, Chicago, Illinois. The meeting was called by the president to facilitate the transfer of the books of the National Secretary and National Treasurer to the two new officers respectively. The President directed the Auditing Committee to conduct an audit of the ledgers for the six months from January to June, 1976. Present for this task were Chairman of Auditing Committee, Anne M. Kompore and Auditor, Marion M. Marolt. The Chairman's Report follows.

REPORT OF THE AUDIT

Greetings to all of you and especially a hearty welcome to the newly-elected officers of the National Board of the Slovenian Women's Union, at this Directors' meeting called to order by our National President, Mrs. Bostian on Thursday, July 1st, 1976.

As chairman of the auditing committee, I am happy to report that after a comprehensive examination of all the Union's transactions, all have been found in proper order for the five months of Jan., Feb., Mar., April and May, 1976, which we have audited today. It is a preliminary report in that the final report will be given after the completion of the business of the month of June, 1976. We have examined the income from Branch assessments, interest and other sources and disbursements were reviewed as to issuance of vouchers and all outstanding checks were accounted for. Bank deposits of our past National Secretary, Mrs. Fanika Humar and past National Treasurer, Mrs. O'ga Ancel were checked and verified for the above five months.

We expect to give a final report upon completion of June, 1976 audits to take place in the month of July, 1976. At that time we shall also conduct the examination of investments kept in the safety deposit box at the Metropolitan Bank & Trust which audit is not a part of this report at this time.

The undersigned members of the auditing committee hereby certify that based on our audit and review, the Slovenian Women's Union records for the first five months of 1976 are correct and true.

FOR THE SLOVENIAN WOMEN'S UNION AUDITING COMMITTEE

ANNE M. KOMPARE Chairman
MARION M. MAROLT Auditor

SLOVENIAN WOMEN'S UNION OF AMERICA JANUARY 1, 1976 — JUNE 30, 1976

Finančno poročilo od 1. jan. do 30. junija 1976

INCOME: Assessment	\$28,344.53
Interest from Bonds	21,718.57
Rental Income	810.00
Miscell. Income	8,428.50
Profit on sale of books	735.99
Profit on sale of Bonds	3,233.48
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	63,271.07

DISBURSEMENTS:

Death Claims pd.	11,700.00
Salaries	5,567.92
Social Security	430.10
Withholding tax	1,169.40
State tax	183.72
Administration	4,552.95
Dep. of Insurance	29.00

Electr. Gas, Water	238.45
F.I.C.A. Tax	429.98
Unemployment tax	5.75
Real Estate tax	464.64
Zarja-The Dawn	12,495.64
Stationary	12.35
Postage & Telephone	315.54
Loss on sale of Bonds	268.75
Maintenance	128.10
Bowling exp.	391.000
Campaign & Sec. awards	908.95
Donations	95.50
Convention cost	8,553.93
Pd. for accrued Interest	417.18
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	48,358.85

Balance Dec. 31, 1975	\$622,786.98
Income Jan. to June 30, 1976	63,271.07
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	686,058.05

Disbursements for same period	48,358.85
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	637,699.20

FANIKA HUMAR, Sec'y

The President began the meeting with prayer at 1 p.m. Present for the meeting were the following: Founder, Marie Prisland, President, Mary Bostian, newly-elected Vice President, Nežka Gaber and outgoing officer, Marie A. Floryan, newly-elected Secretary, Olga Ancel and outgoing officer, Fanika Humar, newly-elected Treasurer, Mary Marolt, Auditors, Mrs. Kompore and Mrs. Marolt, Editor, Corinne Leskovar.

Mrs. Humar gave a report on the present standing of the cookbooks. The cost of printing has been reimbursed to the national treasury and almost 2000 books remain to be sold from the last printing. Cost of mailing materials she purchased personally will be reimbursed to Mrs. Humar. In the future, handling of the distribution of cookbooks, Mrs. Prisland's book, "From Slovenia to America" and Dr. Kern's dictionary will be handled from the new Home Office.

The Directors adjourned for lunch and reconvened at 2:30 p.m.

Directors approved payment of outstanding convention expenses and awards. It was recommended that any extraordinary expenses incurred by the National Officers are to be covered by their own administrative expense funds.

On the request of Mrs. Humar who asked for more time to complete the work of the office and by agreement with Mrs. Ancel, the Board allowed the secretary's salary for June be paid to Mrs. Humar who will maintain the Home Office during the month of July.

The Board welcomed attorney Bernard Kompore, who spoke on the subject of the new S.W.U. By-Laws and explained several points that were questioned by the members. Two changes were discussed at this meeting, namely, the procedure for election of State Presidents and the substitution of a gift or bonus for a member who transfers to adult department having joined at birth. The Directors proposed to change the time for the election procedure of State President to the year following the national convention and added the stipulation that State Presidents take office in January following their election by the State convention. Motion carried. (By-Law 7.18 in the transcript).

In regard to bonus for transferring juniors, the Board agreed that such a member is entitled to two years free assessment for those who join at birth and one year free adult assessment for those who transfer after 10 years of junior membership. Motion carried. (A new By-Law). Attorney Kompore was asked to further study the Illinois Insurance Laws in regard to limitation of insurance and convention scheduling for the Slovenian Women's Union. The Union will also retain Mr. Kompore as their legal advisor. Motion carried. He was heartily thanked by the Board members for his insight and industry in preparing the new by-laws for the national convention.

The printing of the by-laws will be done at once and each branch will be provided with 10 copies for the officers and additional copies will be available at 30¢ each. A new member will receive a copy free of charge together with her certificate.

Scholarship Committee members were named by the Board as follows: Marie Prislend, (a quorum is 4 members, including the chairman), Antonia Turek, Mary Bostian, Rose Kraemer and Irene Odorizzi. They will perform as members of this committee from July 1st, 1976 until the next Convention.

In order to coordinate more activities among the branches in cultural work, preserving the heritage of our people, supporting the worthy causes that will help Slovenian identity, the Board agreed to a proposal by Mrs. Leskovar that a Cultural Heritage officer be named to serve as a National Officer. So named was Irene Odorizzi who agreed to undertake this challenge as much as her time would allow. Mrs. Odorizzi, the author of The Immigrant series in Zarja, will begin by assessing the kind of work being done at this time in various communities by the SWU branches. The Board was confident that this new office would be worthwhile for the organization and that Mrs. Odorizzi would do an excellent job.

Membership Campaign proposed at the recent Convention was named now by the Board as the "YOUNG AT HEART" Campaign, in tribute to our Junior Membership and to increase its ranks. Our literary column in Zarja carries that title, written by Regina, and the new Youth Director, Frances Sietz of Cleveland will undertake the membership chairmanship of this campaign. It will conclude Dec. 31st and be primarily a junior member promotion, along with all family members being invited to join. Cash prizes will be awarded as follows: Top Winner receives \$25 Cash Award — Second Prize is \$15 Cash Award and Third Prize is \$10 Cash Award, besides the

per capita awards according to classification of new member, such as: Class A, 50¢, Class B, \$1.00 and Junior Class, 25¢ each to the worker. The Board urges the branches to participate in their communities.

The Convention Campaign grand total of new members is now 537 with the additional tallies of new members enrolled at the Convention. Joliet, Ill. with 100 new members will be recipient of a special prize of \$25 cash to be given to their favorite charity. Secretary, Mrs. Ancel announced that it would be appreciated by members of Br. 20 that this amount be sent to the Bishop Baraga Association as a donation from Joliet Branch. This was agreed and so carried out. Congratulations to all workers and thanks for the successful results was expressed by the Board.

Next under discussion was the distribution of the new supply of FROM SLOVENIA TO AMERICA books and Dr. Kern's Dictionary which will be printed this summer. The cookbook distribution would also be included in the same plan. It was concluded that all distribution be made from the Home Office in Joliet, Ill. and will be handled by Mrs. Jonita Ruth. Related costs were discussed for each book. The Executive Committee will determine the final selling prices of new printings according to justification of costs. Commissions will be paid to members who sell books as in the past.

Officers of 25 years service will receive a souvenir from the S.W.U. in the next few months to be determined by a committee of officers headed by auditor Marion M. Marolt.

Three prizes were rewarded from the Scholarship Fund to the workers for enrolling most Junior members in the last campaign: To Mary Slaney, Pittsburgh \$30.00; To Suntina Spehar, Duluth, \$20.00; to Rose Kraemer, Milwaukee, \$10.00.

The Board authorized the Secretary to look into the acquisition of property in Joliet for the new Home Office at her earliest convenience and that the Chicago property will be disposed of within a reasonable time.

Mrs. Prislend expressed the appreciation of the Board and organization to out-going officers present at the meeting, Mrs. Marie Floryan and Mrs. Fanika Humar, thanking them both for their dedication to duty and fine work for the organization.

The meeting adjourned at 6 p.m. with prayer led by the president.

MARY BOSTIAN, President
CORINNE LESKOVAR, Recording Sec'y

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Highlights of the 17th National Convention

May was a beautiful month and more so that we had our 17th National Convention then. It was yet more interesting to be celebrating the SWU 50th Anniversary. It was a happy time for our Founder and Honorary President, Marie Prislend, due to the fact that she organized this beautiful women's society. Bless her heart as she had many heart-aches in the years and we are all very grateful to her and wish her many more years with us to help us, guide us and keep the ball rolling.

Let us all do our duty to enroll many new members now in the new campaign. We must keep up with this work and replace our departed members. May they rest in peace. We need help constantly, to have enough membership. Keep asking your friends and relatives to join. Once again, congratulations to the top winners in the Golden Anniversary Campaign.

The Hostesses of our 17th Tri-ennial Convention were great and we all thank them graciously for deciding on such a beautiful place to hold the Convention and the doings at your church. The procession into church was out of this world, with the Marie Prislend Cadets all there adding much color and attraction. They were a little late in coming to Pittsburgh as the bus had a little motor trouble, but they were like good soldiers and I feel very proud of them, just as I am of the little children of the Baton Twirlers and of course, the Dawn Choral Club. They are all to be complimented for their participation.

All our groups were invited to the big parade on Waterloo Rd. celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Slovenian Home there. The children won third prize and then were invited to the Maple Hgts. Competition and Nationality Day where they won a trophy. These children are so happy and proud. They will have a new instructor soon as Sue Urankar who has been with them for some

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GOLDEN WEDDING MARKED BY JOHN STICH FAMILY



Friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. John Stich of San Francisco,

Cal., recently honored them on their golden wedding anniversary.

A total of 150 guests were invited to the dinner party which was hosted by the couple's children and their spouses. They include Mrs. Lloyd Rich, Gerald Stich, Mrs. William Papin of Mrs. Peter Wiener and Mrs. Paul Waddington Jr.

The former Anna Nemanic became the bride of John Stich on Oct. 25, 1925 at the Church of the Nativity in her native San Francisco. Their family also includes 11 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

Sincere congratulations from members of Br. 13.

ACTIVITIES

No. 1, SHEBOYGAN, WIS.

Our delegate and State President, Anna Modiz, at the June meeting gave us a resume of the National Convention held in Pittsburgh in May. There was much enthusiasm and interest in behalf of the delegates and officers.

A report was given on the card party which was gratifying. Thanks to the committee in charge, those who gave their services, money donations and the ladies who baked. Following the meeting refreshments were served in commemoration of the birthday of Mrs. Marie Prislant.

One June 14th the following four officers; Mesdames Marie Prislant, Anna Modiz, Mary Turk and Miss Margaret Zahn attended the Bi-Centennial Flag Day ceremonies held at Stony Hill Schoolhouse at Fredonia, Wis., which were most impressive and enjoyed by several thousand attending. It was sponsored by the National Fraternal Congress.

On July 1st, our branch with six other local Slovenian organizations presented a flag with a plaque to be used in the meeting room at the new Mead Library in memory of all Sheboygan citizens of Slovenian heritage and ancestry.

One of our junior members, Paul Maurin, drew an unusual political cartoon of President Ford and sent him a copy and in return received a thank you from the President and a special Bicentennial message from him.

We welcome the following new members: Jennie Baboshek, Agnes Rickow, Dorothea Prantz, Charlotte Melanz, Daniel Lesvenick, Carol Beck, Seca Shirey, Thomas Grabner, Sherrie and Terrie McCue.

Plans for the 50th anniversary and Wisconsin State Convention are in the making. Please look for announcements in this issue. It will be Oct. 3, in on city.

Our next meeting date: September 19th, hope to see you in great number.

In closing, my very best wishes to all to stay healthy.

MARGARET FISHER,
Secretary

No. 2, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On behalf of the officers and committee, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to all out-of-town Zveza members and visitors and all our members and families and friends who attended Zveza Day in Lemont and helped to make it a successful event. We are sorry that because of the many activities in Cleveland during the past several months, it was impossible for them to attend. However, we wish to thank Mary Bos-tian, National President, for her message of good wishes and we hope that next year we will be able to greet her and her contingent in Lemont. We also had with us Marie Floryan, past National Vice President and a group from Milwaukee; Olga Ancel, our new National Secretary and Mary Marolt, new National Treasurer and a large group of members and guests from Joliet; our past State President of Illinois-Indiana, Ann Lustig, and Ann Kompare, National Auditor, and members and guests from South Chicago and a large group of members and guests from Indianapolis.

Our sincere thanks go to the following members who contributed bakery items. Poticas were donated by

Mary Poppish, Elsie Melissa (4), Mrs. Frances Kozel and her daughters Fran Kuca and Josephine Barc (4), Corinne Leskovar, Agnes Gaber, Mrs. Rojc, Millie Paisoli and Mrs. Troha. Cakes were donated by — Lil Putzell, Mrs. Julia Pavlin, Mrs. Helen Arko, Mary Krapenc (2), Elizabeth Zefran (2), Elsie Statkus (2), and Frances Brenic. Cash donations were received from Mrs. Annie Zorko and Mrs. Gizella Hozian.

Because of the wonderful generosity of our members, we received many gifts for the tickets and the stand. It is very gratifying to us, as newly-elected officers, to see our members responding as they have and we know that with such cooperation we can help our branch to grow.

Mrs. Frances Zibert, our president, could not be with us for Zveza Day as she was in Yugoslavia at that time. However, we extend our sincere gratitude to Ann Mladic, our vice president, for taking over and to her husband, Vic, for helping us all day. Also, our thanks to Lou Zefran for taking out all the food, gifts, etc. early in the morning and helping out with the refreshments at the stand. Thanks, also to "Bo" Zubek, husband of our secretary, Jean, who helped to transport foodstuff, gifts, etc. and who worked the entire day. Many thanks also to the following members who worked all day in the kitchen and selling tickets and working at the stand: Mayme Muller, Stelle Gor-ka, Julie Petric, Elizabeth Zefran, Mary Krapenc, Julia Pavlin, Lil Putzell, Elsie Melissa, Ann Mladic, Jean Zubeck, Ann Scieczska and her daughter-in-law Eileen, Mary Podder and Shirley Melissa. Our special thanks to our junior members Patty Zubek and Joan and Steve Podder who gave assistance all day.

As you all know, there will be no meeting until September. However, because of the Illinois-Indiana State Convention in Joliet in September, the officers were to call members in August to urge them to attend. We hope to have a large group attending this convention so that members can express their opinions and learn what other branches are doing to increase their membership.

We know that it is not too early to urge all members to attend the September meeting as we will be discussing plans for the Penny Social for November, as well as our celebration for the 50th Anniversary of Zveza. We hope to see all of you there.

SHIRLEY MELISSA
ZARJA—THE DAWN

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY CEREMONIOUS RITUAL

On our 50th Anniversary

These are a few suggestions for a simple, but effective ceremony to honor the 50th anniversary of the Slovenian Women's Union:

DECORATIONS: Head table: red carnations (Slovenian flower), miniature American flags (bicentennial); three tall candles in gold or red, white and blue. The other tables could be covered with white paper and a red or blue streamer down the center. 50 unlit candles might be interspersed amongst the tables (this, of course is only if desired and only a suggestion. Since candles are so expensive, women could bring candles from home even if partially burned — with holders or holders could be borrowed from churches who have them. At each candle would be a package of matches.

PRE-RITUAL: If Branch has a Slovenian and American flag, it would be impressive to have them brought in formally then set in standards behind the center of the head table.

Toastmistress asks everyone to rise before flags are brought in, then after their placement, with right hand over heart all recite The Pledge of Allegiance followed by the ritual ceremony. Three members depicting the PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE read very slowly and distinctly the words as given lighting a candle after each presentation. After the three candles at the head table are lighted the toastmistress asks that all the candles (50) be lighted on the tables. It makes a pretty sight and moment. Then all sing God Bless America followed by a favorite Slovenian song which could be sung by a soloist, a choral group or by the audience. Native costumes worn by one or more of the members would be lovely. Dinner is then served.

The Ritual...

By Marie Prisland — Founder

THE PAST

From Slovenia to America we immigrated from villages and farms to a new land for economic improvement. Since we were scattered throughout a strange country we bonded together by organizing the Slovenian Women's Union in 1926. With Branches from New York to California our Union brought to us communication, preservation of Slovenian culture, encouragement and fortitude. In December of this year, 50 years will have passed since the founding of our organization. Those were glorious, successful years because of the cooperation, enthusiasm and hard work of the officers and members. On this momentous occasion I light this candle in their honor and in tribute to their pioneering spirit.

PRESIDENT:

years will be leaving for college. We wish Sue the best of luck — she is also our SWU Scholarship Winner this year!

The Dawn Choral Club also were invited to perform after the parade and were graciously applauded for their fine singing. The Cadets were drilling and did a fine job and are also to be warmly complimented.

I know other states have talent too, and it would be great if more and more would encourage and organize such groups. It would be another chance for us to work together. We could meet annually and have some sort of exhibitions. How about it? Get started now.

I want to congratulate all the new officers of the organization that were elected at the convention. I wish you all good health and may you have many good ideas to promote and be successful.

Compliments to all the delegates for representing your branches and doing your duty. The committees did a fine and conscientious work. There were no raises in dues or salaries. New business for the future will be the enrollment of men which will be well received in some branches so that the husbands can come along with the wives.

MARY BOSTIAN

THE PRESENT

In honor of the Bicentennial Celebration of our beloved country and the 50th anniversary of the Slovenian Women's Union with a membership of 10,000 in 14 states we rededicate ourselves to the principles of the constitution of the United States and to the mutual ideals embodied in the founding of our organization. In thanksgiving to our dear Lord for giving us the strength, endurance, perseverance and good leadership, I light this second candle.

THE FUTURE

The challenge for the FUTURE is now ours. We pledge continuation of the work and enthusiasm begun by our mothers, grandmothers and great-grandmothers for future success and growth of the Slovenian Women's Union. In a spirit of hope, dedication and purpose, I light this candle for a successful future.

Wisconsin State Convention Oct. 3, 1976

Branch No. 1 Sheboygan will host this year's Wisconsin State Convention in conjunction with celebration of Branch No. 1's 50th Anniversary.

A cordial invitation to all Wisconsin Branches to attend this event and help make it a success!

Program of the day will start at Ss. Cyril and Methodius Church Hall.

8:30 — 9:25 A.M. — Coffee and rolls served

9:30 — 11:15 A.M. — Meeting

11:15 A.M. — Members assemble to attend 11:30 mass

1:00 P.M. — Dinner at the Grand Executive Inn

A program will follow the dinner.

State President
ANN MODIZ

MARIE PRISLAND:

Capsules

AFTER THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

In the last issue of ZARJA the Minutes of the National Convention informed us of the changes in the By-laws and in the administration.

Almost fifty years have rapidly gone by. What will the future bring? Will Zveza prosper the same or even better than it did the first 50 years? Will it gain in membership and financially? Will it continue to reflect our proud heritage and culture? All these questions went through my mind when reading the Minutes.

At the convention I was pleased to see the interest and the participation of the delegates as motions came before them. Thinking of their enthusiasm for Zveza I am assured that the Slovenian Women's Union will not die but will live to realize greater achievements for itself and for the Slovenian nationality.

Yes, even my own wish was fulfilled at the convention, namely, that we install a Youth leader who will unite the young members and create for them a worthwhile program. Will the youngsters follow her? — They will, with proper leadership! Everyone likes to follow a good leader. We absolutely must get the youth to be interested in our Branches to keep them strong. We must give young members responsible positions — an office. Older members have held offices for 25 or more years and they would like to retire. It's time that the younger members take over and be responsible for Branch's progress. "You can't get them as officers", I am told. Yes, you can, if you make your meetings interesting enough. Enroll a few young officers; they like to work in pairs.

Zveza was organized to unite the Slovenian women living in America. Now it is up to the younger members to retain that cultural idea and heritage.

We have a new National Board. Seven new officers were elected at the last convention, among them a new National Vice-president, Nežka Gaber, a teacher of Slovenian language in Chicago, and past vice-president of Branch No. 2. She is a newcomer and a very fine person, understanding, broadminded and is willing to work. We are inviting all mothers, their daughters, granddaughters and nieces who came to America after the last World War to join Zveza and follow the leadership of Nežka Gaber, who will make a devoted National Vice-President.

The Post — Convention Membership Campaign is on! The assessment is small, the benefits many! Increased membership is the foundation of the organization! A financial reward is offered for enrolling new members. **Lets go to work!**

No. 14, EUCLID, OHIO

Our August meeting was opened with prayer and an extra prayer was said for all our sick members. We had a very nice group of ladies in attendance considering that it was still vacation time. Nice to see Alice Azman and some of the other members who don't make it too often. Hope you can keep on coming.

We initiated a new member, Stella Korecko. Welcome, Stella, happy to have you with us.

We would like to thank Mary Bubnic and Rose Klemencic for their generous donations of gifts for our door prizes for that evening.

Happy 49th Wedding Anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Bubnic. We wish you many more happy and healthy years. We also wish to thank the lovely ladies who so generously contributed to our treasury and goodtime fund.

On the sick list; Mary Panchur is at the Euclid Care Center in Willoughby, Ohio and Mary Kastelic is recuperating at home after a hospital stay. We wish you both and all other members who aren't feeling up to par, a speedy recovery. If there is any member knowing of others who are ill, please contact me so we can visit them or at least send a card. (Vera Bajec, 481-7473).

We discussed and planned for the

picnic Aug. 15th at Sustar's place where will also celebrated July, August and September birthdays.

We lost our first junior member, John Pasquale, age 17, a member for the last nine years as have been his two brothers and mother. He was the grandson of our past late president, Theresa Skur. Our deepest sympathies go out to the Pasquale family. May he rest in peace.

Please ladies, you who are behind in sending your 1976 dues to me, I would appreciate hearing from you. Thank you. God bless you all.

VERA BAJEC

No. 16, SOUTH CHICAGO, ILL.

Our President, Jean Bukvich, is still on the sick list and Vice-President Helen Gornick presided over our June and July meetings. In June, Mary Brebrick, our delegate, gave a very interesting detailed report on our National Convention. The officers and delegates are to be commended on the amount of work which was accomplished. Anna Lustig, retiring Ill. State President, also brought back news from the meetings. Katie Triller, Our Honorary President, was one of the 50 Anniversary Officers sent greetings from the Convention.

Congratulations to Ann Vucko, our new Illinois-Indiana State President. We will meet her at the Convention in Joliet on September 12. Anna Lustig is taking reservations for the bus trip and dinner. Ann is our delegate with Gladys Buck as alternate.

Ann Ksiazek gave a final report on our dinner in May and a Thank You note was read from Alvina Sreboth, our Mother of the Year, on the thrilling evening she experienced.

Members present in June and July for their birthday celebrations were Dolores Franko, Ann Ksiazek, Marge Spretnjak, Mary Cholac, Marge Prebil and Mary Crnokrak. Anna Buck, who couldn't be present, sent an apron as a Sunshine prize. In June and July the Sunshine prizes went to Mary Krzmarich, Anna Lustig, Josephine Blasovich and Marge Prebil.

At the July meeting, a thank you note was read from Jean Bukvich for all the prayers being offered for her recovery. Also on our sick list is Josephine Rosiak. Please remember them and our other shut-ins in your prayers.

It was voted to send a donation to a Slovenian Group in Philadelphia to help defray expenses as hosts to Slovenians who were planning to attend the 41st International Eucharistic Congress in August. Pauline Klobucar brought this appeal to our attention.

Congratulations to Margaret Monok who was a million dollar winner in the Illinois State Lottery.

FOURTH COTILLION BALL ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL AFFAIR

Our Fourth Cotillion Ball in Cleveland, Ohio was carried out in the same fashion as in 1974. We tried to help and carry out this beautiful affair along the wishes of the Debutantes. Two additions were made for the Presentation. The National Anthem was sung in observance of our Bicentennial Year and Dorothy Ann Winter represented our organization holding a torch and shield in observance of Zveza's Fiftieth Year.

Promptly at 7 o'clock, our 11 Debutantes and their escorts along with fathers, had a grand march into the hall onto the stage. The boys formed a frame and were at attention until their names were called and stepped forward to be recognized. The Debs waited to meet their dads, coming down the side stairways from the stage. Each Deb carried a colonial bouquet of red carnations and white mums. Each was interviewed by our emcee, Tony Petkovsek and a short biography was read. They then bowed. At the conclusion, Kathy Wallace, a 1970 Debutante, presented them with sterling silver charms with gold engraving, "S.W.U. Deb, 1976" that they can wear on their charm bracelets.

The parents, aunts and uncles, sisters and brothers, other relatives and friends all enjoyed their grand ball because they told us so!

To set up such an affair requires lots of help from all sides. The Junior League members, the committees and members of the branches all deserve our utmost thanks. This is the list of committees that operated for the Fourth Cotillion Ball:

Frances Sietz, Chairman;
Mary Bostian, Co-Chairman and Seating Arrangements;
Ann Trcek, Co-Chairman and Debutante Chairman;
Sophie Magayna, Ticket Reservations and Seating;
Mary Ann Vorisek, Soloist, Introductions, M.C.;
Sue Urankar, Debutante Counselor;
Kathy Wallace, Debutante Gifts;
Janice and Mother Helen Culkar, Invitations;
Mary Ann and Mother Antonia Vorisek, Refreshments for Cocktail Hour;
Michelle and Mother Frances Spech, Table Arrangements;
Mary Ann and Mother Mitzi Globokar, Program Books;
Mary Ann and Father Vincent Globokar, and Friend, Stage Arrangements; Helping them were Edward Bencar, Jenny Bencar, Ann Trcek, Mitzi Globokar, Marie Azman, Charles Trcek, Charlene Podboy, Susan Podboy, Irene Jagodnik, Josephine Sieworek and Ann Cooke. Carole Travel did all the posters for the tables, for the easels and the S.W.U. Emblems for our Statue of Zveza. Donna Bishof typed all our letter forms that were sent to the Debs, Junior League Members and branches. Thanks also to Alice and Kathy Primuth for helping to clean up.

Sometimes we tend to overlook the ladies behind the scene and this is the time we must thank the cooks who did a wonderful job of cooking the and roasting the chickens to perfection. It was grand. Thanks to Mrs. Mary Otonicar and her efficient staff.

And now, how do you thank all the good people who did attend this gala affair and who helped to make it a success? God bless you all for being so nice! Oh, and, one more thing. I received a beautiful big bouquet of gorgeous roses and from whom? The note read: from the S.W.U. Debutantes. Who was the one who arranged this thoughtful gesture?

I kept them carefully for four days after the ball so that I could take them with me as I departed for Colorado on June 16th. Thank you for everything.

FRAN SIETZ

Rev. Claude Okorn, O.F.M.

PICKED UP TO SERVE

We, in our lives, are asked quite often to perform many services in regards to our neighbor. There are all kinds of services, sometimes very unusual ones.

Presuppose that you are walking down the street in the business section of a large city. There, all of a sudden, you encounter a man dressed in worn-out overalls. He keeps stopping and looking up at the tall building. His behavior is giving him away. You guess that he is from a small town and this is the first time he has been in a big city.

And then you notice that a very important looking man comes out of the building. The building is the home office of a very large company. The businessman spots the man in overalls and motions to him to come closer. They start talking. You can hear what they are saying as you go by but you can't believe it. The businessman is asking the other man to go with him and be the president of the well-known company.

At first the man in overalls laughs at everything the businessman is saying. The businessman is assuring him that he is serious. He keeps on talking and telling the other man of all the benefits of his position as president. As you walk away you realize that the other man gave in because they are both going together into the building.

You are still wondering what is going on. Successful businesses do not pick their presidents that way. They do not even pick any of their employees that way. They have personnel department and it is up to them to seek out and find the best people for any job openings. They know that getting the wrong person into the wrong job will hurt both the company and that person.

In the Gospels we read that Jesus did much the same way when he picked His apostles. He just walked around and chose average people to follow him and become the first leaders of the Church. He could have picked the rich and powerful of the day. He could pick up anybody but simple fishermen.

Take St. Peter. Jesus chose him to be the rock on which he would build His Church. He became first pope, the guardian of the faith. And yet he is unfaithful to Jesus by denying that he knows Him. Not just once but three times.

It makes you wonder why Jesus chose the kinds of people He did to lead His Church. I think He did it so people would always know that the Church is a divine institution.

The Church could never have lasted through all these centuries if it was a human institution. If Jesus had chosen the rich and powerful to lead the Church, some would say the success of the Church is due to them. Jesus chose ordinary people and works through them. The work of God could be seen much easier through these simple people. In modern times we have a good example in mother Theresa. Through her simplicity and real love for the human being she is bringing God closer to people. She is making the Gospel alive. Someday God may ask you to do some special work for Him. He may want you to serve the Church in a special way. There are the poor, destitute, the sick, people and children needing instructions. There is no end of the services you can perform. You may feel that you are too ordinary for such a job or may be even thinking that you are not able to do it. Without God's help you might be. But with His help you can do anything He asks. If you do not believe that, just look at St. Peter or other saintly souls.

Our best wishes go with Mary Skorija who left for Yugoslavia to make her new home with her sister and niece.

MARGE SPRETNJAK,
Reporter

No. 17, WEST ALLIS, WISC.

The Midwest Bowling Tournament was a huge success and many thanks to all the workers who helped in any way to make it possible. Another big thank you to all the members who donated the bakery and also the lovely prizes which were awarded to the lucky winners.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mary and John Petrich on their 50th wedding anniversary. They repeated their vows at holy mass with Rev. M.J. Setnicar officiating. After mass, a reception was held at St. Mary's Auditorium with their family, relatives, and friends attending from near and far. An enjoyable evening was had by all. Mary is one of our charter members. We all wish them both many more years of God's choicest blessings.

To our "Woman of the Year", Miss Josephine Imperl, congratulations are extended on her retirement from Kearney & Trecker. She still is not completely a lady of leisure as she is still the organist at our St. Mary's church. Jo is an auditor and an active member of our branch.

Sympathy is extended to the families, Sekula and Kosmina, on the loss of their mother, Mary Kosmina. May her soul rest in God's peace.

Best wishes to John and Doreen Rossa on the arrival of a baby boy, David Robert. The proud grandparents are Angeline and August Floryance

Reminders: 1.—Monthly meetings will resume on September 19, 1976 at 2:00 p.m.

2.—October 3, 1976, Wisconsin State Day Convention in Sheboygan, Wisc. A bus has been chartered for this affair. If interested, please contact the secretary, 327-1444 or 327-3871.

3.—October 21, 1976, Thursday at 7:45 p.m. a Misc. Card Party will be held at St. Mary's Auditorium, So. 60th. & W. Madison. The proceeds will be for St. Mary's Church fund. Any prizes or donations will be greatly appreciated. Cake and coffee will be served. We are inviting all of our members, friends and neighboring sister branches to attend and have an evening of fun with "lady luck."

To all the Pittsburgh committee regarding the national convention, thank you for a most enjoyable program of affairs and for your warm hospitality.

To all of our shut-ins and sick members, we extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

MARION M. MAROLT

JOLIET WILL COUNTY BICENTENNIAL PARADERS



June 26th, the residents of Joliet, Ill. enjoyed viewing a colorful parade in honor of the Bicentennial. The St. Joseph's Slovenian parish presented a scale model of their church which was set in an attractive float and members in Slovenian national costumes accompanied it marching down the main avenue. On this photo are some of participants, Rosemary Konopek in the front and from left, Gregory Rozman, Pat Figurowski, Bernard Rozman, Betty Starosinich and Jonita Ruth, members of Br. 20.

No. 20, JOLIET, ILL.

This was our last meeting in the summer and it was held June 20th on Father's Day. Our president, Emma Plzinsek gave all the details and results of this Zveza convention held in Pittsburgh, Pa. She told the members that our secretary, Olga Ancel will not be our secretary any more since the convention voted her to be our National Secretary. Also, our treasurer, Mary Marolt will be not branch treasurer, as she has been elevated to National Treasurer. In place of Olga will be our long-time member Agnes Lovatti and she will do everything to work for the progress of the branch. Her late mother, Mary Schmidberger was our member and her sisters are also good members as are other members of her family. They are known as the Skul family among our old timers. All the remaining details of the convention will be published in Zarja. Agnes commenced her job as Sec. of Br. 20 as of July 1st.

The members listened to the reports from Mary Marolt and our alternate de'egate, Dorothy Koncar. All reports were given full attention and interest of the membership. The president concluded her report with wishes that the members will continue to be friendly and understanding with one another and asked that we pray for God's blessing to help us to continue to prosper and progress.

Vice-President, Mary Ivanich, left for Slovenia June 30th for visit. She planned to go last year but illness forestalled her plans, so she did make it this year, after a four year interval. We wish her a safe journey and many good memories.

The Pucel family returned from their trip to Europe in June. They visited Olga Ancel's oldest daughter, Vera Muir and relatives in Slovenia also many famous places in Germany, France and Italy. The time flew by so fast. Most of all they liked Lake Bohinj and Island of Bled.

A number of our parishioners left for Europe July 1st. We wish them a safe and happy trip, also.

On June 16th, Joliet held a big Bicentennial parade with bands, floats and marchers. A lot of our Slovenians of the parish showed their skill in making a big replica of the St. Joseph's church. It was interesting to see so many in native Slovenian costumes, including our Vice-Pres., Mary Ivanich with Ed Ancel who paraded as a couple in costumes. A large sign, **Slovenes of St. Joseph Church**, was at the beginning of the line of marchers and they were happy to receive much applause. It was the climax of a lot of hard work done by our friends and many members who worked on the project. The home of the Horvatin's was used as the work area for the building of the float that really looked like a miniature of our

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church. Rev. David Stalzer, our assistant Pastor is to be commended for his leadership in this project.

In the parade also, the Kazoo Band of junior members of our Branch, took part. Lorraine Ruth, Marie Ancel and Rosanne Ruth, who was the youngest, marched in the band for the St. Francis Academy. There were many bands in the parade from all communities, floats by huge numbers, Indians, etc. On July 3rd the Kazoo Band had another successful appearance at the stadium.

Every year the American Legion post 1080 appoints some member to represent them. This time it was Marie Ancel, sent to Morray College in Jacksonville, Ill. where she was to learn civic experiences as they lived on a campus. Congratulations.

Thanks to Msgr. Butala, the Rev. Roman Malovasic, our relatives friends and officers of our branch to come to help us celebrate our 56th wedding anniversary at the Holiday Inn. Thanks again.

Those ill in the hospital are sisters Mayme Fedo and our auditor Frances Stornich. May they get well soon.

Best wishes to all our members, stay healthy and happy. Will see you in September.

JOSEPHINE ERJAVEC

GET WELL SOON, MRS. ERJAVEC!

We send our good wishes to Josephine Erjavec who had to undergo surgery on her foot last month. Hope it won't be long before she's feeling much better and back on two good feet again! Ed.

No. 32, EUCLID, OHIO

In June, we had a meeting with a fair attendance. Highlight of the meeting was discussion on the Convention.

The Baton Twirlettes in their new uniforms won first prize in a local parade, marching in time while they performed. Most of them belong to our branch. We're very proud of these little girls. They were also scheduled to march in a 4th of July parade and are always busy here and there. We wish them a bright future (Photo of the youngsters is on the Cover Page this month.)

Then, the Cotillion was in June, the whole affair was just beautiful. Our Deb, Patricia Graben, was especially beautiful, we thought, altho all of them were just lovely. It meant hard work for our National President and the whole committee, but it was well worth it.

Mr. & Mrs. John Swietek wed 50 years!

No 24, LA SALLE, ILL.

It was a gala party, given by their children, honoring Mr. & Mrs. John Swietek on July 18th at the Peru, Illinois Eagles Hall. The Swieteks were married in 1926 at St. Joseph's Church and their attendants, Frances Petzel and Lawrence Wysocky were among the guests.

The former Matilda (Tillie) Zibert is a member of Br. 24 for many years and is still a young lady, having been married early in life. The Swieteks have a daughter, Rosemary who lives at home and four sons, John, Ronald, Thomas and Donald. There are nine grandchildren.

Tillie had an unfortunate accident at home falling and fracturing both legs. She was at St. Mary's Hospital for some time, but recovered sufficiently to be able to be brought to the Open House Party held for them by their children. We all knew that this was a memorable day for her and John, altho they couldn't dance as they did at their wedding party. Some day they'll make up for that! At the party were many old and new

timers who all enjoyed the food and music.

God grant them a long and happy life ahead. I know Tillie would like visits from her friends while she is recuperating from her very painful accident. "Good as Gold Tillie", you'll be well soon. We are happy to have you as our member. May God love you and bless you and John!

We mourn the loss of a member, Josephine Rogel who died at the age of 51 at home. The funeral was attended by members of our branch and three were honorary pallbearers, Mmes. Gail Hoffman, Frances Ahcin and yours truly. We pray for the repose of her soul.

Members, we will not meet in September as planned but on Oct. 1st at St. Roch's Hall at 2 p.m. We should try to make this a grand meeting, the first of the season. A Rummage Sale will be held at the home of Emma Shimkus. At the Oct. meeting, Emma will tell us more about the past Convention. Try to attend.

MARY MICI PILETIC

(Picture in Slovenian Section)

We have on our sick list Mary Drobnick who had surgery July 3rd and we wish her a speedy recovery. Mary Hochevar was in Charity Hospital and is now recuperating at home. Get well wishes also to Mary Ster, Frances Bradec and Rose Jenko, hospitalized. We wish all of them a speedy recovery.

Congratulations once more to Mary and Tony Bostian on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. May God bless them in health and togetherness for many years to come.

Frances Perme was ill and taken to Richmond Hgts. Hospital. Her son, E'mer Perme called us to say that Frances is now at the Neff Road Nursing Home and would appreciate some visits by her friends. Yours truly paid her a visit July 1st and she was very happy to know that someone cares. In the same home are also Frances Korenchik and Mary Volpe.

Our sympathy to Tončka Skvarca — her uncle passed away June 24th. He was a famous businessman on Holmes Ave. Funeral was June 28th. May he rest in peace.

At Ft. Myers, Fla., Frank Mramor passed away. He was the husband of Josephine (nee Gerjevic) our member. He was the owner of Mramor's Market on St. Clair for 30 years after

which he moved to Florida. Funeral mass was offered there but he was brought back to Cleveland for wake and burial. Our sympathy to Josephine and family, also to her mother, Frances Gerjevic, our good and active member. Eternal rest grant him, o Lord, and may his soul rest in peace.

Frank and Ceil Znidar went to Europe July 3rd to visit for a month.

Wedding bells: Carol Ann Stopar, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Stopar and James Horgan were married July 17th at Lady of Mt. Carmel church. Congratulations to the young couple and to the parents. Mother and daughter are both our members. Carol Ann is a junior member.

Congratulations to our Spiritual Advisor, Rev. Claude Okorn, on his 40th Anniversary of the priesthood. His column in Zarja is read by all.

Our secretary's report of new members for June includes: Helen Crewel, Doris M. Sadar, Margaret Kovacevich, Emily Jelenic and Gayle Sajovic. Two juniors are Stacy Ward and Lori Jean Bailey. We are so happy have them. Welcome to our branch.

On Wed. Oct. 27th we have having an evening mass at 7 p.m. at St. Christine's church for the living and deceased members. All should try to

come. Let's have a nice showing in church. If I left out some one, please excuse me.

Have a nice vacation and see you Sept. 15th at the meeting. A note: Please check your dues books.

ANNE TEKAVEC
Reporter

No. 39, BIWABIK, MINN.

At this time, I would like to thank all the officers, members and committees of Br. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa. for the wonderful time we had there. It will always be a memorable experience, never to be forgotten. Was so nice to meet friends and members whom I haven't seen for so long. It is indeed an honor to be a part of the S.W.U. system and to learn how confident and capable is our executive board, delegates and members, coping with present day problems as well as those that are to come, with challenge, devotion, dignity and unbiased support. I enjoyed every minute of the convention, very educational, informative and learned a lot listening to our great leaders. Now we know that anything can be solved with you all behind the wheel.

Hats off to a great lady, Mrs. Marie Prislund! Her drive and interest is unbelievable. May her health be sound for many more years. It certainly is with pride and thanks that I got to meet so many talented people. Love you all.

Now, a little on our State Convention for Minnesota. The committees were picked and our branch is deep in preparations for the staging of this festive occasion. All members and friends of S.W.U. have a treat in store for them when they attend. The committees are making certain that all expected guests enjoy a wonderful day with us. Our welcome mat is out to all our members and friends. The program will have a patriotic flavor in honor of the Bicentennial year in keeping with our nation's commemoration of 200 years of freedom.

Our festivities will commence on Sunday, Sept. 12th, 1976.

The tickets are selling at \$3.50 per person and we urge all our expected guests to purchase these as soon as possible, returning all the unsold ones. A hospitality reception featuring baked goodies and coffee will be held at the Biwabik Park Pavilion at 9:30 a.m. and then the annual meeting will follow, also in the Pavilion.

Memorial Mass at St. John's Catholic Church at noon will be celebrated by Fr. Cary, pastor.

New Abbot with his family



Standing from left: 1st and 3rd, Mr. & Mrs. John M. Bandi (Mary Jo Lautizar), Willoughby Hills, O., 2nd from left, Bonnie Bandi, daughter of Lou Bandi, Phoenix, Arizona; 4th and 5th from left, Mr. & Mrs. Emil Bencar (Anne Marie Bandi) of Euclid, Ohio.

Center: Most Rev. Charles Buswell, Bishop of Pueblo Diocese, Colorado, 5th from right, Pauline Berwar, foster daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Bandi; 3rd and 4th from right, Mr. & Mrs. John R. Danicic (Mary Ann Bandi), Strongsville, O.; 1st and 2nd from right, Mr. & Mrs. Louis Bandi (Eleanor Fox).

Seated: Abbot Bonaventure Bandi, O.S.B. and his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Bandi (Anna Jaksa), Canon City, Colo. Parents are 88 and 89 years of age. Not on the photo is Frances Sietz of Cleveland who is his cousin.

Banquet will be held in the church hall, dinner served as only the proficient staff of the McKinley, Minn. group can provide. We promise you a wonderful and entertaining event; hope to see all the Minnesota branches join us. Thank you.

Have a happy and safe end-of-the-summer! Stay well. Bless you who remember the shut-ins, the sick and lonely.

ANGELINE KARISH
Recording Secretary

No. 40, LORAIN, OHIO

Hello, everyone. The summer is in full swing and I hope everyone is taking full advantage of every lovely day. Our vegetable garden looks like it's growing inches right before my eyes. Everyday we pick something — it's a glorious feeling just be alive and able to walk and see the beauty around us.

To my mind comes back one of the many little poems that I have enjoyed over the years. This says better than I can what I am trying to say in my humble way.

**There's a little plant called reverence
in the corner of my soul's garden,**

Which I love to have watered once a week.

**That's just like my garden and me.
We all really have two.**

Our meeting was attended by 19 members. We had a lively business meeting with Angeline Kozjan reporting on her delegate's duties to the convention. It has left us with a renewed desire to create some kind of group activity such as a choral group. But, perhaps, some of our members have some other ideas. So, come forth, and let's work on this very good idea with some much needed suggestions.

Our birthday girls and those who served a lovely dessert lunch are: He'len Kozjan, Ann Delillo, Emma Diedrick and Elaine Uehlein. Thank you girls, and a very happy birthday.

Joe and Molly Glavan celebrated their 39th Wedding Anniversary in June and also enjoyed the first Holy Communion of two grandchildren, Michael and Dawn Glavan at St. Cyril and Methodius church in May. Much happiness to all of you.

We had a guest, Matilda Struckley, from New Smyrna, Florida. We all

ZARJA—THE DAWN

BLESSING OF ABBOT BONAVENTURE BANDI, O.S.B.

The Rt. Rev. Bonaventure Bandi, O.S.B., 62 years of age, was recently elected the fifth Abbot of Benedictine Holy Cross Abbey and the Abbey School in Canon City, Colorado.

Abbot Bonaventure, the son of Lawrence and Anna Bandi, formerly of Cleveland, Ohio, who now reside in Canon City, Colorado, was born in Brooklyn, N.Y. on April 26, 1914. As a very young lad, he came with this family to make his home in Cleveland. He graduated from St. Vitus parochial school in 1928 and Cathedral Latin High School in 1932. While attending high school and later, John Carroll University, he gained valuable experience in the workaday world by clerking in grocery stores, butcher shops and pharmacies. All his youth activities centered around his parish church — St. Vitus — where he became a charter member and officer of the Holy Name Society, the first editor of its excellent publication, the Holy Name News, and the organizer of the Gregorian Chant Choir. He also maintained active membership in other parish organizations and assisted his pastor, Monsignor B. J. Ponikvar, whenever help was needed. In 1936, he played the dramatic role of youthful Bishop Frederick Baraga in a magnificent pageant, presented for the diocesan Bishop, wherein was depicted the saintly life of this zealous missionary, whose outstanding work with the Indians in Michigan has merited the national attention of many, now promoting his cause for beatification.

On June 4, 1936, with aspirations of becoming a priest, he left Cleveland to become a postulant at Holy Cross Abbey in Canon City, Colorado. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree there and was ordained to the priesthood on May 16, 1942. He offered his First Solemn Mass returned to Colorado shortly thereafter to take up his duties. Throughout the years, he filled every possible position at the Abbey in his long and distinguished clerical career including that of the Prefect, Headmaster of the school, faculty member, Camp Director, Sub-Prior, business manager, novice master and Prior. He was a founding member of the National Catholic Camping Association. He also served as the pastor of St. Michael's Church in Canon City, Colorado and Sacred Heart Church in Boulder. His immediate assignment, prior to his election as abbot, was

the co-chaplaincy at Penrose Hospital in Colorado Springs. Throughout the years, he found great enjoyment in the equestrian sport and taught it to students, organizing the Vacqueros Club, Gyhhankas and similar events. His multitude of activities in behalf of his Abbey also included doing photographic work for the school and the camp. All this vast experience qualifies the new abbot eminently for his new challenging administrative post.

His educational background consisted of studies at Columbia and Catholic Universities, acquiring the first Master's degree in American literature from Seton Hall University in South Orange, N.J., and graduate studies at Colorado University and Colorado College for certification in administration and counseling.

The age-old service of blessing of the new abbot took place at the Abbey on June 17th, with the Most Reverend Charles A. Buswell, D.D., Bishop of Pueblo, Colorado officiating. Numerous clergy, religious and others will participate in the colorful and historic ceremony. Several priests and friends from Cleveland joined the family of Abbot Bonaventure on this happy occasion.

The big moment in Abbot Bonaventure's blessing was when the Bishop gave him the Holy Rule, a gold chain with a large gold cross, and placed a ring on his finger, then in silence placed the mitre on his head and pastoral staff in his hands. It was a beautiful ceremony and many of the family and guests shed a few tears of happiness.

"I am very optimistic and enthusiastic about the future of The Abbey School as well as the Monastery and its work," said Abbot Bonaventure. "I am deeply impressed by our staff, both the administrators of the school and the faculty. We are blossoming with talent. I can well envision this becoming the finest Catholic boarding school in the west. It is well on its way to reaching that goal already."

"We have many loyal friends throughout the country, both alumni and others. Their support has meant much to us. We have had a sometimes difficult but none-the-less successful first 50 years in our history. The future looks most promising."

enjoyed her company and hoped to see her again next year.

To all our ill members get well soon, especially Rose Slaby and Bertha Anzelc.

A happy anniversary to a prominent couple in Slovene circles, Mr. & Mrs. John Kumse, who celebrated number 65. They are the parents of 4 children, 4 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. What a lovely and long life to share together!

Again it's International Festival Time here in Lorain and representing the Slovenes is Cheryl Gorenshak. Last year, the Queen was a Slovak girl. How nice it would be if we had a Slovenian, so good luck, princes Cheryl.

Sunday, Father's Day, the nicest newspaper tribute was paid to grandfathers and a part of the introductory remarks went like this: "Before grandfathers can be grand fathers, they have to be fathers! Grandfathers

are mostly great people and they come in handy too, for things like baby-sitting for example, or telling the grandchildren tall stories about the old days or what dad and mom were like when they were kids."

Honored in this article was Andrew Pogachar whose wife, Sophie, is a good person, find lodge member but most of all, a good friend. I was so proud of the pictures that also appeared with the article showing Andy with his grandchildren all around him. No one could look so happy! The grandchildren are Lorrie, 5½, and Mark, 2, children of son, Ken and wife and Brian, 4 and Drew 1, the children of daughter and husband, Jim and Patty Simashkevich.

Another line reads "Grandfathers aren't always happy, nor are they always treated well. Some of them are forgotten in rest homes or lonely apartments or even creaking old houses..."

But, this will never happen to Grandpa Andy, or Grandma Sophie. We need more articles like this; it was truly nice and about two really nice people.

By the time you read this, it will be almost the end of summer. So, enjoy each and every day and have a happy time. Remember, we do want you with us during our 201st year!

MARY PLOSZAJ

FROM OUR MAILBAG

CLEVELAND, O. Just received Zarja which I always enjoy reading — the recipes are so nice. I tried most of them until recently since I am confined with rheumatoid arthritis and am living in the Slovene Home for the Aged. I get good care here and am coming along just fine. My best wishes to all.

MARIE PAYNICH

JOSEPH FROM METLIKA



From left to right: first row: Francie Mutz, (living with the family till her adoption), Justine, Father Joseph F. Kompare, Pauline (held close to Father), Mother Fana, holding Edward, Frances, Evangeline.
Back row: Joseph Jr., William and Ralph (oldest).

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THE IMMIGRANT

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My wife, Frančiška, our son Ralph, and I came to the U. S. in 1886 and were among the very first Slovenian immigrants who settled in Joliet, Illinois. I worked at the Wire and Steel Mill by the Desplaines River with many other Austrians for seven years, when ill health required me to give up my job. The World's Fair was being held in Chicago in 1893 and Franciska and I, along with our three children, went to see the Fair as well as visit Franciska's sister, Mollie, and her husband, Joe, who were residents of South Chicago. Joe told me about the new mill being constructed by Carnegie Illinois Steel Company in South Chicago. Many Slovenian men were coming from Europe to work in the mill and he suggested that I open up a saloon business in that area. Frančiška and I talked it over and we decided to take the big step. We moved to South Chicago and opened up a business which required many hours of work by the entire family. Franciska opened up in the mornings, and I worked the late hour shift because the doors were opened usually 18 hours a day. The children accepted their responsibility to help with cleaning up, errands, housework, and eventually the older children tended bar after school hours. There was always plenty of work for everyone according to his or her size and ability. My wife always said, "Enough to do and enough to eat." (Dost dela i dosti jela.) They were

taught never to waste time and to organize their schedule so that each day was full of study and work.

The children were also taught the Slovenian language. Even though both of us spoke and read English, Slovenian was the "official language" used in our home, so that our children would learn and understand our mother tongue. "Knowing two languages is always better than knowing just one," my wife two stress to the children.

She always had some special bit of advice not only for me and the children but also for the ladies in the neighborhood who would come to her with their problems. Whenever a lady had to travel by train on a special visit to some relative or if she just took the streetcar downtown, Frančiška would say, "Go like a lady and not like a peasant." This meant that she should wear a hat and not a scarf on her head, and she should dress neatly. If the lady had no hat, she would take her own hat off the shelf and loan it to her for the trip.

At times of crisis the young women would come to her for advice or help, just as if she were their mother. When a baby was born, Franciska went to comfort and advise on how to care for the baby in this new world and with new methods. She would always take along a few warm flannel shorts or gowns for the infant. The midwife usually came only for about a week and if problems arose after that time Frančiška was called to help.

Fevers were a common problem. She would put her lips to the infant's forehead and if the child were feverish, she would take the coarse linen cloth brought from Europe, immerse the linen cloth in cool water and wrap the naked baby in it. Then a warm blanket was wrapped around the infant and she would hold the little one in her arms until the next wrapping. If the fever did not subside after these treatments she would advise the young mother to call the Doctor who came immediately in his two-seater horse and buggy.

KOMPARE'S HALL A POPULAR PLACE

A year later, I built a wedding hall in the rear of the saloon, along with one bowling alley and living quarters above on the second floor. Many young people were immigrating from Slovenia and Croatia at the time and they needed some place to meet each other, socialize, and continue their cultural activities.

The one lane bowling alley was a good source of entertainment and in use every evening and all day Sunday. Our children "set the pins" for five cents a game, earning a sizeable amount of money which was usually turned over to their Mother who would save it for "Christmas Time." Occasionally, they complained about the work being boring, and then they would call in some boys from the neighborhood to take over. The replacements were happy to do something different as well as earn a few cents. Bowling was a new game and a novelty for the time, thus, the monotony was relieved for a few days.

Never did we imagine that the wedding hall would be busy every Sunday with "good old-fashioned weddings" sometimes lasting three days. The beautiful Slovenian polkas and waltzes, played on the concertina and fiddles, rang in our ears from one week until the next. The children, who were supposedly asleep in their rooms above the wedding hall, found it difficult to sleep as they listened to the strains of the lilting tunes. Often times they would dance around the bedroom in their night clothes to the musical beat as the throbbing music crept to the upper rooms.

Evangela, our oldest daughter, at 19 years of age, married John Nagoda the butcher who worked at his sister's meat market across the street. We watched that romance bud and finally bloom until they set the date. This wedding caused the most excitement in the family because she was the first of our children to be married.

When the special day arrived, retaining an old Slovenian custom, I called the family and the prospective in-laws into the parlor of our home where we toasted the bride and groom with the best wine, and gave them our blessing for the future. The smallest children realized that their sister would be leaving the family for a new home and began to cry. John, not wanting anything to spoil the solemn moment, quickly shoved them into the front pantry near by. Everything quieted down in a few moments as this was the "forbidden place" for them. Frančiška hid all the delicious pastry, from the Slovenian bakery, in this pantry and the aroma was so satisfying and inviting that the luscious pastry distracted the children from their misery and the crying soon ceased.

AN OLD-FASHIONED SLOVENIAN WEDDING

The wedding hall was special'y cleaned and decorated for the occasion. Edward went to the woods with a borrowed horse and wagon to gather the green bows from tree branches, loaded them on the wagon, brought them back home, and built a bower for the bride and groom to sit under during the reception. He was so artistic that this added touch pleased the bride and groom immensely.

A few of my business associates offered us the use of their cars for the wedding procession so that horses and carriages did not have to be used. What a hit this made in 1911 as the Studebaker, Rolls Royce, and Oldsmobiles drove off to the church and then to the photographers with the bridal party.

Driving from the church after the wedding, the bridal party was arrested for speeding and taken to the Hyde Park Station where they waited to be bailed out. I sent my son Ralph, who was now an attorney, to the station. The truth became known that a big joke was being played, but this did not prevent the newspaper reporters from securing information about the arrest. The next day newspaper headlines read: "Bride and Groom Arrested for Speeding and Attorney Brother Pleads Case."

Evangela and John's wedding reception was full of fun. The guests enjoyed themselves to the utmost with music for dancing and singing, an abundance of traditional Slovenian food, and wine and beer flowing continually.

The donation of the wedding gift was a formal ritual, but proved exciting and entertaining. After the wedding feast was eaten and the wine passed around, the best man got up from his place and covered a clean plate with a linen table napkin. Then the usher (or the second best man) would pick up a box of cigars and they would both circulate around all the tables stopping at each guest, who promptly crossed the plate with the popular donation of ten or twenty dollars. The best man was always held in high esteem, and the bridesmaid and he were considered almost related to the bride and groom. Bridesmaids did not donate money because they had spent enough on an outfit for the wedding. But the best man and the remainder of the bridal party would donate sometimes fifty to one hundred dollars, and occasionally the donation even reached \$500.00 or more at larger weddings. That was a good deal of hard earned money for that day. This monetary donation was designed to help the newlyweds furnish their new apartment and pay for the wedding festivities.

"SINGLES" ESPECIALLY ENJOYED WEDDING DANCES

Later in the evening, special wedding dances, such as the Pillow Dance, Broom Dance, and the Apron Dance, highlighted the festivities.

The Pillow Dance began with all unmarried guests forming a circle around one young man who carried a pillow over his shoulder. He would walk within the circle in time to the music, till he decided which girl he loved the best, and would throw the pillow at her feet. She in turn would kneel on the pillow with him and he would resoundingly give her a big kiss. Then they would pick up the pillow and dance around inside the ring till the music stopped. The young lady, in turn, would dance inside the ring and drop the pillow in front of some handsome young man. This would go on till all had a turn for a kiss and a dance within the ring. The last man to be selected was considered unlucky and would have to dance with a broom while the crowd cheered, hooted, and clapped for his misfortune. Unmarried people enjoyed this dance because they often times met their future mate during this dance. Many a young lady stated, "I met my husband at your wedding."

For the Apron Dance, a fancy apron with a large pocket for money was tied about the bride's waist, and a group of men circled around her. After placing money in her pocket, a man danced with the bride for a short whirl within the circle to the beat of a fast polka. When the music stopped, another man would step up, put some money in the bride's pocket and whirl her around. By the time the Apron Dance was completed, the bride usually had a pocket full of bills.

To be continued next month.

In Memoriam V BLAG SPOMIN

JENNIE OZBOLT

Age 84, passed away July 25, 1976. She was a charter officer of Slovenian Women's Union, with 50 year membership and charter member of Br. 6, Barberton, Ohio. Survivors are daughters Frances, Tillie, a son, William and 12 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren.

JOSEPHINE LIVEK

Age 81, passed on June 27, 1976. Former National President of S.W.U. for 9 years, 1952-61, and member of Br. 89, Oglesby, Ill. She is survived by sons, John, Joe, William and Edward, daughter, Josephine, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

ANTONIA BAYT

At age of 90, she passed away May 23, 1976 at her home in Indianapolis, Ind. Mrs. Bayt was a charter member Zveza, Jan. 20, 1927, and of Br. 5 and long time president. She is survived by sons Phillip and Chet, daughters Mary and Theresa, many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

PAULINE STOLEC

Age 58 passed away July 1, 1976. She was the secretary of Br. 61, Braddock, Pa. for many, many years. She is survived by husband, Stephen, daughter, Nancy.

Our sincere condolences.

ZEALOUS ZVEZA WORKERS MOURNED

Mrs. Jennie Ozbolt, who was one of the only four remaining charter officers of Slovenian Women's Union at the time of our recent 50th anniversary Convention was called to her eternal reward on July 25th. She was a resident of the United States for 67 years and a member of various societies connected with her beloved Sacred Heart Church in Barberton, Ohio. Br. 6, holds her in special esteem as their charter member. She held many offices, attended conventions and personally knew and highly respected her sister members.

She was a dear friend of our Founder.

Mrs. Ozbolt was a baker, employed at the Barberton Citizen's Hospital where she died.

Her daughter, Frances Spice, is the recording secretary of Br. 6, another example of the mother-daughter officer combinations we have in the organization. Another daughter is Tillie Wagner and son is William Ozbolt. There are 12 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. In the Slovenian section, we have printed a poem of Mrs. Ozbolt's, one of many she loved to compose, along with her photo. May she rest in peace.

On June 27th, God called Mrs. Josephine Livek to His heavenly home. She was our National President for nine years and had a spirit and courage unsurpassed by many. Mrs. Livek was interested in women's rights long before they became popular and was active in labor matters in her place of employment. "The Slovenian Women's Union was a great part of her life, she enjoyed the work and all the folks connected with it and cherished the ones she associated with", says her daughter Jo Schmidt. A few of her words in eulogy follow:

DEAR SISTERS OF THE SLOVENIAN WOMEN'S UNION:

Thank you ever so much for your thoughtfulness and generous contribution to the Scholarship Fund. Education was the utmost with Mom and she always hoped more scholarships could have been offered. Mom loved the SWU and all the ladies associated with the Union. She stood for Right and was always ready to correct any Wrong. She was active in the Oglesby Branch until her passing away June 27th. Our memory is a treasure-house of Mom. Therein she will live on forever. God bless you all and ever so many thanks.

Warm regards,

JOSEPHINE AND MY BROTHERS, JOHN, JOE, WILLIAM & EDWARD

Our sincere thanks to the Livek family and we, too, pray for their Mother's eternal rest and happiness.

EDITOR

FAMILY ANNOUNCES PASSING

Joseph J. Jerusek who was in the furniture business in Cleveland, Ohio for most of his life, died July 9th at the age of 69. As a young man, Mr. Perusek sold furniture in his home. In 1930's he also owned a Ben Franklin Variety Store and had a bowling alley on E. 152nd St. Joe was a salesman for Watkins Furniture for 10 years and for Bing Furniture before retiring about four years ago.

He was a member of various fraternal and church societies.

Surviving are his wife, Mary, daughter, Dolores Shaw, son Robert; he was grandfather of 6. He was the son of the late Joseph and Mary Perusek, brother of Marie Dolinar, William, Frances Wolfe, Stanley, John, Albina Savel, Elsie Zalar and Edward. Marie is a member of Br. 50, Albina and Elsie are of Br. 10. Our deepest sympathy.

No. 41, CLEVELAND, OHIO

Our next meeting will be in Oct. 10, second Sunday of the month at 2 p.m.

Happy Birthdays to all the members with birthdays in July, August and Sept.

To Corinne and Nežka for remembering me; thank you beautiful ladies' Mrs. Precht from the Cleveland Press called me to certify the Mother's Day affair we were holding on June 13.

For the Mother's Day affair we had 22 people present. We all attended 12 o'clock noon day Mass at St. Mary's Church on Holmes Avenue. Rose Pujzdar, our honoree, was presented a floral bouquet and the ladies received corsages. The flowers were yellow with yellow ribbons. The food was served at the Waterloo Work-

men's Home. There were table decorations and candlelight. The food was cooked by Jennie Trennel (roast chicken, home fries, cold slaw, potica, flancate, rolls, butter and beverage). After we were through eating we honored our Mother of the year Rose Pujzdar with a brilliant crown and red velvet robe. Pictures were taken by Jim Debevec.

We also honored all mothers who were present especially Nettie Strukel who had her 84th birthday on this day. Our oldest mother was Mary Boltzar who was 89 years young. She is a beautiful and well-groomed mother and does not look her age.

Cotillion ball was well attended with three tables from No. 41 represented. There were several prominent socialites present at our table. Our debutante was Beth Opalich, the first debutante since we reorganized lodge No. 41. She was dressed up in royal red velvet

robe and wore a shining crown; this was our Jr. Queen. Our senior queen was honored on Sunday June 13 who was Rose Pujzdar with her royal red velvet robe and glittering crown.

So we had a Jr. Queen and Senior Queen for this Bicentennial year for lodge No. 41. Better get ready to pick your next year's mother of the year so we can start planning for this affair. Come to the meeting and let us know whom you would like to elect.

Mary Kren is at the Euclid Manor rest home. And Gertrude Koshel died in July. I also attended on June 13 a reception for Father Ed Brodnick who was recently ordained. He is the son of Molly Brodnick and grandson of Louise Radell, member of our lodge. Congratulations to both of you, Mom and grandma.

We have new badges for those who would like to have one. Call your secretary 475-2644. The badges are bigger and more beautiful, black on one side the other side is royal blue with long gold fringe.

To the ladies who donated to our "blagayna" a big thank you. Your names will be read off at the October meeting.

We would like to have one new member signed up by each member and we will reach our goal just as Mrs. Prislund had asked due to do so at the convention.

Zveza has to be promoted at all times or else it will die and we do not want that to happen. So now every one call your secretary and ask for application for new members. We want to keep lodge No. 41 alive... Let me hear from you. We have room for sons, daughters, nieces, nephews, cousins, brothers, sisters, husbands and friends. Everyone can get one or more people to sign. Good Luck.

Anyone wanting a cookbook, your secretary still has some to sell, 4.50 each. Something just came to my mind and I thought I would like to share it with you because this is lucky for all of us. This year is the 200th birthday of our nation, my mother's birthday (she would be 100) and she died 50 years ago and it's my 25th wedding anniversary. This is going to be a lucky year for all of us.

We will try to have refreshments at our meetings and also some card games of your choice. So please attend our next meeting. If you need a ride call your secretary 475-2644 or your president, Madeline 531-0989.

JANE KAPLAN,
Secretary

A beautiful Mother's Day tribute



Ann Rebernik, honored by Br. 43 members and friends.

No. 43, MILWAUKEE, WIS.

A beautiful Mother's Day party was held in May for Ann Rebernik who was chosen as our Mother-of-the-Year. We had an overwhelming crowd of 72 members and 18 relatives. Then, the big moment came when Ann's sister, Mitzi Tutin, flew in from Pittsburgh (she's our new member!) to surprise Ann. Hugs and kisses and tears were all part of this happy reunion. Then, too, we were fortunate to have with us, two of Anne's dear friends, Monsignor Joseph Emmenegger and Father Mike Hammer of St. Veronica's parish. They congratulated Ann and greeted her with beautiful words of praise of which Ann is greatly deserving. Ann looked beautiful in her long blue gown and beautiful smile. The branch presented her with a corsage.

Her oldest granddaughter Annie Carol Gilboy is 13 years old, was picked to present grandma with a beautiful glass cake plate from the branch. We thank daughter Connie Gilboy for helping us select it. Ann also has another daughter, Jennie Kouchich and a son, Louis. The family presented her with a gorgeous "family tree", with beautiful sparkling birthstones in a very artistic frame. Ann's eyes sparkled just like the jewels when she was given this masterpiece by her youngest granddaughter, Jill Gilboy. Our president, Vickie Sporis presented her with a musical china Madonna; a small plaque was from Kyle Mary Kraemer

and a hand-made pitcher from Mitzi Mohorko and Mary Tratnik. Her brother-in-law sent a beautiful centerpiece of flowers with an orchid in the center as a corsage.

Her husband, John, was called on to congratulate her and the two daughters, their husbands, son and his wife and all 8 grandchildren wished her all the best of health and happiness.

The food was scrumptious, prepared by our member, Sophie Rifej.

John and Ann furnished a delicious punch before the meal. This even event was the greatest Mother's Day celebration we ever had. Year after year, it seems to be getting better.

Thanks to all for making this day so wonderful, especially to Ann and John Rebernik.

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The June meeting was the last for the summer. I tried getting a group for Lemont this year but I'm sorry to say it was impossible. There are just too many events in the summer which interfere with Zveza Day.

Welcome to our new members and please be at the meeting Thursday, Sept. 16th and we will conduct the official initiation. This change of meeting date is just for the month of September due to Rebernik's closing for vacation. In October we will resume on the first Thursday, Oct. 7th at 7 p.m.

Vickie Sporis is heading for Miami, Florida as a delegate for the Eagles National Convention with two of her traveling buddies. Have a good time,

gals and don't take in any wooden nickels.

Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Sundeen celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. The mass was at St. John the Evangelist church then the reception followed at the Patio with the family and close friends attending. Congratulations, Eleanore and Elmer on your Wedding Anniversary and we wish you many, many more.

The daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Edward Gallun, Margie, exchanged vows with Peter Amieri at St. John's church. It was a beautiful ceremony. The reception was held at Tumblebrook Country Club in Pewaukee. They are spending their honeymoon in the Bahamas. Congratulations, Marge and Peter.

We are sorry to heart that Mrs. Fritzel's husband, John, is the hospital seriously ill.

Eleanor Rozek recently lost her brother who was ill for some time. Our sympathy to her.

Father Claude Okorn celebrated his 40th Anniversary as a priest. We all wish him the best of health and strength so that he can continue in his work in the service of God.

Members, these are the dates to remember:

Sept. 16th, meeting and initiation of new members at Rebernik's;
Oct. 3rd, Wisconsin State Convention in Sheboygan; **Oct. 7th**, meeting-Rebernik's; **Nov. 4th**, meeting-Rebernik's; **Nov. 21st**, Poultry Card Party and **Dec. 2** and **Dec. 4th**, Children's and Adults Christmas Parties, — all these events also at Rebernik's.

Check your dues an if you are in arrears, please take care of this. If you attend 5 or more meetings this year, you are in for a surprise gift from the branch. See you Sept. 16th at the meeting.

ROSE KRAEMER
Secretary

No. 50, CLEVELAND, OHIO

By the time this issue of Zarja will be printed, most of the summer vacationers will have returned, and our meetings will start again in September.

A few highlights of the past two months:

Our thanks again to Mary Patrick, who knitted 100 red, white and blue boutonniere for our June Bicentennial meeting. Ann Kristoff also donated a beautiful hand hand-knitted flag afghan for the Dawn Choral card party, to which some of No. 50 members belong, and which was a huge success. Mary Budas was a guest, and Alberta Erzen was a transfer from Br. 14. Vera Sebenik was honored and presented a corsage (made by Mary Perusek) for her work in making and selling hand-made towels. From the

sales of towels she presented a donation toward the Bicentennial program. Vera also made a nice presentation of reading about all the U.S. presidents up to date, and we all brushed up on our country's history.

Frances Seitz has been elected the national Youth Advisor.

Vi Zak and husband Joseph, went on a European trip in July.

The communion mass and breakfast at the Shrine in June was very well attended by our ladies.

Robert Falcone, son of Sophie Falcone received his doctor's diploma from Ohio State Medical School. He will now enter Riverside Hospital, where he will practice surgery.

Margaret Gorenek, daughter of Juliana and Frank Gorenek, is in her second year at Western Reserve Medical School, where she is studying to be a doctor.

Rose and Clarence Roesch are grandparents for the first time. Granddaughter Laura, is the daughter of Bob and Cheryl Roesch.

Congratulations to our members on their Wedding Anniversaries. Julia and Albert Woda, 40 years. — Mary and Louis Petrovic, 39 years — our president, Ann and Charlie Tercek, 1 year — National Pres. Mary Bostian and husband Tony 50 years. — State Pres. Sophie Magayna and husband Raymond, 42 years. — Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Svet, 50 years. Mary the Lord give them all many more years of good health and contentment.

Our annual Ohio, Michigan State Convention will be held in conjunction with Br. No. 50 on our 45th Anniversary, Sunday, Oct. 3rd. Meeting will begin at 1 p.m. with dinner and program to follow at 3:30 p.m. to be held at Slovenian Home, 15810 Holmes Ave. Important: All members, sister lodges and friends are welcome! Keep this date in mind, as Br. No. 50 would like to see a nice crowd attend this occasion. For information and tickets, call Irene Jagodnik at 442-0647 or Ann Tercek at 261-3615.

Jean Tomsic's husband John, became ill, and was taken to Balmont Hospital. Latest report is that he is getting along just fine.

A last minute reminder: Members must attend four meetings to be eligible to go on our annual mystery bus ride, in the fall of the year.

From the cook's kitchen: Chopped carrots and olives mixed in cottage cheese, make a delicious stuffing for celery stalks. Try it for a treat.

Yours truly
MAE FABEC
Reporter

No. 54, WARREN, OHIO

Our Branch will have the first meeting of the fall Sept. 21st at my home

at 4010 Greenmont Dr. S.W. at 7:30 p.m. My co-hostesses will be Rose Racher and Vic Zuga. Pease come.

Our sympathy to the Tomsich and Bozek families on the death of their son and brother, John Laurich who left a wife and two daughters.

Our member, Ann Horvath, who had been in a Nursing Home several years, passed away at the age of 70. She was a wonderful member before her illness and her only survivor is a sister-in-law who was very good to Ann. Our members paid their respects at her bier and led the Rosary.

Bon voyage to Ann Savor who with her husband, Martin, son and daughter-in-law, traveled to Slovenia. Our family is going to Ocean City, Md. and the children can't wait. They love the ocean and beaches.

Our Vice-President's husband, Joe Walko, had surgery and is doing fairly well. He's a great guy!

Fall meetings as follows: Sept. 21st, Joann Ponikvar's; Nov. 16, Josephine Kasson, Howland Wilson Rd.; Dec. 2 Date to be announced for the Christ mas party at Betty Vadas home on Dartmoor N.E. Let's have some good turn-outs this fall.

JOANNE PONIKVAR,
Sec. Treas.

No. 56, HIBBING, MINN.

Nice to be with our many friends in 'Zarja' again! We trust that everyone enjoyed the beautiful early spring and summer with an overflow of good health and happiness. Happiness in your travels, gardening, summer guests, and what ever out-door recreation you may have enjoyed.

Our summer scheduled recess from meetings terminated when on Aug. 10th the officers called a meeting which was held in the club rooms of Assumption Hall of the Blessed Sacrament Parish. Unfortunately, due to the high humidity and temperature, attendance was at a minimum. Pres. Maras presided as favorable committee reports were made. Sec. Meadows read the invitation to our members from the Biwabik branch who are hosting the Bicentennial Minnesota "Zveza" Day convention. Present indications show that Hibbing will have a good representation.

Bi-centennial celebrations have been and still more are in the planning stage for more celebrating of reunions of every kind and class. The most friendly and intimate celebration occurred when Mary (our past mother-of-the-year) and Louis Putzel celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. The event was held in the main dining hall of Sabin-O'Neil Hotel in Chisholm. It was a pleasure and joy for the honored couple to receive felicitations from the very many

Slovenian Parade Float

The Burgettstown Bicentennial event on July 3rd was a grand one. "The "Slovene's" float took 2nd prize in the Heritage class! Those who took part in riding on the float in pictures left to right.

Linda Louder, Monica Louder, Kimberlee Orenchuk, Ray Louder, Michael Louder, Rosemary Orenchuk, Frances Montequin and Kelly Bendick. Not pictured was Carmen Matesic who played the polkas and waltzes on her accordian.

Participants were members of Br. 59 in a scene depicting farmers around a haystack and a sign reading: "Migrated to Burgettstown, 1915."



friends and relatives who arrived from far and near to wish them-well on this memorable occasion.

In the decorated dining area of the hotel a buffet table appropriately appointed for the Golden Jubilee, was laden with a variety of delicious foods and pastries. And yet — the beautifully decorated wedding cake was served to all the guests.

The Jubilarians were married on May 15, 1926 at the Blessed Sacrament Church in Hibbing with the Rev. Msgr. Limmer officiating at the nuptial vows. Attending the bridal couple were Frances Ribich Berbs and John Putzel. Parents of the bridal couple were the late Anton and Frances Ribich of Red Ore., MN., and Mary and Louis Putzel of Hibbing.

Hosting the events were the couple's seven children: Lewis of Dallas, Texas, Kenneth of Marshal, Minn. — Marlene Milanowski of Delta, Colo. — Betty Sterle, Lois Sabin, Gwyneth Lee and Carol, all of Hibbing. The Jubilarians are very proud of their 14 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

We of branch No. 56, offer deserving congratulations to this very nice couple and pray that Our Lord will bless them with many more years of health, happiness, and "to-gether-ness".

Until we meet in Biwabik

A. SELVO
Pub.

No. 59, BURGETTSTOWN, PA.

Our meetings for June and July were opened with the Lord's Prayer. President, Frances Korosec presided. Our recording secretary, Hilda Montequin read the minutes. The 10 members who attended the convention remarked that they all enjoyed their program, dinner and dance.

Our lodge made a donation to the Burgettstown Park to manage the upkeep of it. We all felt this was a good cause. The Slovenian booth for Nationality Day on June 20th made a nice profit. Even tho the weather was cold and rainy, it didn't keep the

people away, making the day a great success. Thank you, ladies, for preparing the hot foods and baked goods. Burgettstown Area's Bicentennial observances on July 3rd were held with a mammoth parade, various programs and display of fireworks that night. Over 50 en entries participated. Ladies of the lodge and men of the Slovenian Club took part in making the Slovenian float. We're proud to say that our float took 2nd prize with a cash award for Heritage. Thanks to everyone for the help in making this float possible.

Congratulations and best wishes to Regis and Patty Louder on their July 9th wedding. Regis' mom, Ann Louder, is a member and former president and reporter for our lodge.

Hope to see you all back with us for Sept. Meeting.

ROSEMARY ORENCHUK
Reporter

No. 73, WARRENSVILLE, HTS., OHIO

As I had written previously in my articles, our annual "Mother of the Year" and "Pot Luck Dinner" usually held the first Monday in May, was postponed until the first Monday in June, due to so much illness of many members as well as members of their families. Words cannot express my surprise, gratitude, plus the humility I experienced when I learned that I had been chosen "Mother of the Year". I would like at this time to express my thanks to the officers and members of Branch No. 73 who bestowed this honor on me, a tribute I shall always treasure the rest of my life. Our President, Kay Yuratovac, presented me with a beautiful bouquet of roses from her yard, and also a lovely housecoat from the branch. I sent a thank you letter to the branch which was read at our June Meeting on a more or less personal basis, but I couldn't help but make mention in my article also. Whenever I have an opportunity to tell various relatives and friends of this honor, the tears

start to fall once more. I hope that I shall always live up to this honor with God's help and better health.

We had a large attendance for this combination affair, and as usual our ladies outdid themselves with a varied, and as always, absolutely delicious dinner, that most of us had to wait a bit between the main course and dessert so we could partake of the goodies. Sophia Goga and Mary Pobuda were our birthday girls for the month of June, and brought beautifully decorated cakes for this occasion. All in all, it was a very memorable evening.

Mother of the Year, Mildred!



Mildred Roberts

We send our love and best wishes to Mildred Roberts, who was selected as Mother of the Year of Br. 73, Warrensville, Hgts., Ohio and written up in the May Zarja. She is a dear member and excellent reporter, telling with such thoughtfulness, the news of their branch. We wish her God's blessings in abundance.

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Yoger are in Europe at the present time, and Jo-Ann Lasik is in Florida. We know they will have a wonderful time.

Emma Sklenicka, our eldest living member, was hospitalized recently, as well as Dorothy Hrovat. We understand that both ladies are recuperating nicely, and we all wish them good health. Betty Simec's Dad was also hospitalized and is recuperating (To Page 21)

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POTS & PANS and PASTIME

Last May a number of excellent recipes were brought to the convention in Pittsburgh. Lucille Smith of Branch No. 71; Strabane, Pa., the newly elected state president of Pennsylvania - New York - Washington, D.C., was unable to attend the convention but sent with a member a number of favorite recipes which included CHICKEN LOAF, ZUCCHINI or CUCUMBER PICKLES and YUMMY SOUR CREAM APPLE CAKE.

CHICKEN LOAF

An excellent left-over chicken dish.

- 2 cups cooked chicken
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 cup milk
- 1 cup soft bread — torn in small pieces
- $\frac{3}{8}$ teaspoon salt
- Dash pepper
- 1-2 tablespoons parsley
- 3 tablespoons melted butter
- 2 tablespoons chopped celery

Beat eggs, add milk and beat to mix. Add the remaining ingredients. Mix well. Pour into a well greased loaf pan. Bake 30 minutes in a 350 degree oven. Let cool 5 minutes before removing from pan loosening the edges with a knife. Unmold and serve in slices.

ZUCCHINI OR CUCUMBER PICKLES

- 2 to 4 pounds zucchini or cucumbers
- 2 to 4 onions
- $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ cup pickling salt (regular salt might cloud pickling liquid).
- $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 teaspoon tumeric
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon celery seed
- 2 to 4 teaspoons mustard seed
- 2 to 4 cups vinegar (4 cups vinegar for 6 pints).
- 1 to 2 cups sugar

Wash zucchini or cucumbers, but do not peel. Slice very thin. Peel and thinly slice onions. Add salt to vegetables; cover with water (a plate the size of pan will help to weigh

down vegetables). Let stand $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 hours and drain thoroughly. Heat all spices, vinegar and sugar to a boil. Pour over vegetables and cook to simmering point. Do not allow to boil. Pour in sterilized jars and seal. Makes 3 to 6 pints.

Note: Present home economists advise processing in boiling or simmering water bath for 15 minutes.

YUMMY SOUR CREAM APPLE CAKE

With the new crop of apples on the market you'll want to try this yummy cake.

- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup ground English walnuts
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup butter or margarine (room temperature)
- 1 cup granulated sugar (additional)
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 cups sifted all purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon soda
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup sour cream
- 4 tart apples — washed, peeled and thinly sliced

Mix nuts, cinnamon, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar. Set aside.

Now cream butter or margarine, gradually beat in 1 cup sugar. Add eggs and vanilla; beat until fluffy. Sift flour, measure; sift again with baking powder, soda and salt. Add alternately with the sour cream, beginning and ending with flour mixture. Grease 9 inch tube pan with shortening. Pour about $\frac{1}{2}$ of the batter into the pan. Top with about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the sliced apples and $\frac{3}{4}$ of walnut mixture. Spread the rest of batter over all. Top with the remaining apple slices and rest of walnut mixture. Bake 350 degrees for 35 to 45 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean. Remove the pan to cake rack for 30 minutes and remove from pan.

Brown ground chuck; salt and pepper; add onion and celery; mix and cook for 10 minutes. In the meantime mix the soups rinsing each can with $\frac{1}{2}$ can of water and adding to mixture. Add noodles. Mix all with browned ground meat and bake in large casserole for 30 minutes, covered; uncover and bake 30 minutes longer in a 350 degree oven. Serves 8 to 10.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS:

1. When combining beaten egg whites and a gelatin mixture, always fold the gelatin mixture, into the egg whites — the final mixture will stand up and be more fluffy.
2. Any recipe baked in pyrex requires an oven temperature 25 degrees lower than recipe states unless a pyrex baking dish has been indicated in the recipe.
3. For ease in cutting dates and marshmallows use your scissors. Dip scissors in water occasionally to prevent sticking.
4. When making hamburger patties moisten hands with cold water to prevent the meat from sticking to hands.
5. Line your vegetable crisper with paper toweling to prevent vegetable spoilage. The towels absorb any moisture which accumulates at the bottom.
6. Did you know that smoothskinned lemons are supposed to have more juice than rough-skinned types? That's usually true, according to United States Department of Agriculture.
7. For lumpless white sauce and gravies, the fat and flour mixture must be cooked several moments together before liquid is added.

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At the convention several delegates requested that casseroles be given more often. Here is one from a friend who calls it "OUR FAVORITE CASSE-ROLE".

OUR FAVORITE CASSEROLE

- $1\frac{1}{2}$ pounds ground chuck
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Dash of pepper
- 1 cup celery (cut fine)
- 1 onion (cut fine)
- 1 large can Chinese noodles
- 1 can chicken and rice soup
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 can vegetable soup
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cans water

VITAMIN A is needed for growth, normal vision, and healthy condition of skin and other body surfaces. Vitamin A is found in dark-green and deep-yellow vegetables and a few fruits, namely: apricots, broccoli, cantaloupe, carrots, chard, kale, pumpkin, spinach, sweet potatoes, turnip greens and other dark-green leaves, winter squash.

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If you haven't time to do a job right, When will you have time to do it over?

Dober Tek! Good Appetite to You!

HERMINE DICKE

ZARJA—THE DAWN

Joliet's Junior Picnic ends sweetly

Here are some ideas and kitchen projects for our Juniors to follow — on the suggestion of our fine Joliet junior members, Marie and Kathy. We'll have more in the next Zarja, after you learn how to make these goodies!

On Wednesday, July 14, the Juniors of the SWU branch No. 20 held a picnic at the Frederick Street Ancel's backyard. A picnic is held instead of a Christmas party like other branches.

All the Juniors are invited to bring along friends or relations to attend this afternoon of enjoyment. The children play game varying between a treasure hunt to a water balloon throw. One of the main attractions is watching the older ladies take part in the water balloon throw, mainly because they usually get themselves soaked. Prizes are awarded to the winner or winners of each game.

We, the committee of the annual junior picnic, would like to express thanks to all those who came out to have fun. Also we would like to thank the mothers and junior members who brought delicious desserts. The junior bakers were Helen Rozman and Vickie Figurovski, while the moms were Nancy Horwath, Jo Lustik, Sue Mihelich, Agnes Lovati, Olga Ancel, Eileen Plese and Mary Mihelich.

Our thanks to all and make sure you come back next year for another afternoon of fun.

MARIE ANCEL and KATHY LOVATI

PS. The desserts were so delicious we asked the bakers to give us the recipes for the ZARJA. Here they are:

APPLE CAKE — JABOLČNA TORTA Junior Helen Rozman

- 1 cup margarine
 - 1 3/4 cup sugar
 - 3 eggs
 - 2 cups flour
 - 1 tsp baking soda
 - 1 tsp cinnamon
 - 5 medium size apples cut up
 - 1 cup walnuts, optional
 - 1 cup raisins, optional
1. In a large mixing bowl cream margarine and sugar.
 2. Add eggs, cream till this mixture is a light yellow color.
 3. While the above is creaming, sift flour, baking soda and cinnamon together.
 4. Add flour mixture to creamed margarine. Mix thoroughly.
 5. Add apples. Do not use mixer for mixing apples and mixture together.
 6. Bake in a lightly greased and floured 9 x 13 pan in a 360 degree oven for 1 hour.
 7. When cool sprinkle with confectioners sugar.

QUICK AND CHEWY CRESCENT BARS from Eileen Plese

- 1 can crescent dinner rolls
 - 14 oz can Eagle Brand milk
 - 1 pkg 9.9 oz Coconut Pecan Frosting Mix
 - 1/4 cup melted margarine
- Preheat oven to 400 Degrees. Press crescent rolls in bottom of 15 x 10 cookie sheet, making flat. Pour on milk, sprinkle frosting mix and drizzle melted margarine. Bake 12 to 15 minutes. Cool, cut in squares.

MARSHMALLOW TREATS

from Junior Vickie Figurovski

- 1/4 cup margarine or butter
 - 1 pkgs (10 oz) regular marshmallows or 4 cups miniature marshmallows
 - 5 cups Kellogs Rice Krispies cereal
1. Melt margarine in large saucepan over low heat. Add marshmallows and stir until completely melted. Cook 3 to 4 minutes longer, stirring constantly. Remove from heat.
 2. Add Rice Krispies cereal. Stir until well coated.
 3. Using buttered spatula or waxed paper, press mixture evenly into buttered 13 x 9 x 2-inch pan. Cut into squares when cool.

No. 73, WARRENSVILLE, HTS., OHIO

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at the present time. Sorry to learn that Rose Zbasnik is in the hospital at this writing, and we will all pray for not only the members mentioned above, but the branch and the Union as a whole — that everyone will enjoy better health not only for now — but always.

MILDRED D. ROBERTS
Reporting Secretary

No. 89, OGLESBY, ILL.

Mrs. Josephine Livek has passed away. Heaven has gained what the Slovenian Women's Union has lost. She was a most dedicated member as well as a good worker. Having served as National President of our organization and local president as well as other offices she held during the years, she showed her loyalty in the most profound way. Many people called or asked for her advice which she freely gave to all.

The family wishes to thank every-

CHOCOLATE CHIP OATMEAL COOKIES

from Olga Ancel

- 1/2 cup butter or margarine
- 6 tbsp firmly packed brown sugar
- 6 tbsp granulated sugar
- 3/4 tsp. vanilla
- 1 egg
- 3/4 cup sifted all-purpose flour
- 1/2 tsp soda
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 cup Quaker Oats
- 1 six-oz (1 cup) semi-sweet chocolate pieces

Beat butter, sugars and vanilla together till creamy. Beat in egg. Sift together flour, soda and salt; add to creamed mixture; mix well. Stir in oats and chocolate pieces. Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls onto lightly greased cookie sheets. Bake in preheated moderate oven (375) 8 to 10 minutes. Make about 3 dozen.

LEMON BARS

from Mary Mihelich

- 2 cups flour
 - 1 cup oleo or butter
 - 1/2 cup powdered sugar
- Blend and spread in a 9 x 13 pan. Bake 20 minutes in oven at 350 degrees.
- Beat well 4 eggs and set aside.
- Mix 2 cups sugar, 1 teaspoon baking powder and 6 tablespoons lemon juice. Fold into eggs. Pour over hot crust and bake 24 minutes at 350 degrees. Dust with powdered sugar and cut.

one for being so good to them during their sorrow. May she rest in peace.

Meeting was called to order by our president, Frances Meglich.

The Charter was draped for our departed member, Mrs. Livek and prayers were said. Many kind thoughts were expressed in her memory.

No sick members were reported. Stay well, girls!

Alvie Jerin donated a new set for playing "B". Emma Foly donated a Bicentennial Table Cloth to be used this year. Thanks a lot, girls.

A delicious lunch was served on the beautifully decorated table.

C. A. DAWSON

No. 95, So. CHICAGO, ILL.

Our branch has completed a most successful season with all of the business tucked away for the summer. Our treasurer, Helen Golich was absent due to illness but we hope to see her for our fall session healthy and ready to go.

AT THE FOLK LIFE FAIR IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

There are very few American-Slovenes living in the Washington, D.C. area and so you can imagine what a surprise it was to visit the Folk Life Festival on the Mall of our nation's capitol and hear the strains of a Slovenian melody filtering through the crowd.

We stood amazed and then instinctively walked quickly toward the area from which the strong male voices continued to drift. We reached the yellow and red performing tent just in time to hear the final selection of the "Slovan" quartet from Euclid, Ohio. Their authentic national costumes in red, blue, green and black velvet were completed with a fresh red carnation and added color and sparkle to the bare stage.

Needless to say, the audience seated on benches under the tent, listening to the beautiful four part harmony, appeared to be entranced with this aspect of American life with which they were unaware — the Slovenian contribution to our American culture.

The Folk Life Festival sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution, observed its tenth and final year this summer. It has featured various nationality groups, American Indians, crafts, building trades and musicians to name just a few of the representative groups who over the years

have attracted and greeted millions of tourists during their summertime vacations to Washington, D. C.

July 13-18 was set aside this year for Yugoslavia and all the provinces were represented by entertainment and demonstration of food and crafts. A quartet of male singers from the Slovan Singing Society in Euclid, Ohio had auditioned and were selected to represent Slovenia along with Mrs. Olga Petek who demonstrated the art of handcrafting the hat worn as part of the woman's national costume.

Maria Paulin and Molly Thomas, of Branch 103, demonstrated the procedure of making "flancati". This delicacy was sampled and appreciated by all non-Slovenes who stopped to watch the ladies prepare this flaky pastry under unusual conditions and high temperatures.

Despite unexpected changes in the weather, the experience of participating in this festival, meeting our Slovenian representatives from Cleveland, enjoying the tasty pastries, socializing with acquaintances and meeting people from all locales added to a pleasant afternoon. It made us think, let's do it again! Let's have more of Slovenia in America!

IRENE M. ODORIZZI



Ms. Olga Petek from Euclid, Ohio sits under the tent sewing the decorative band for the hat she is making. In the background stands a model of the Slovenian National Costume. Olga's mother custom designs and makes these costumes and her daughter sews the hat.



The Slovan Quartet from Euclid, Ohio pose on the grounds of the Mall in Washington, D.C. after their performance for the Folk Festival.

Left to right: Mssrs: Penko, Sterle, Stane Sustersic (announcer for Voice of America and our ambassador of good will) and Mr. Ivanich, Mrs. Emma Planinsek, Pres. Branch No. 20, center, was a visitor to the Festival.

Our final meeting was highlighted by nutritionalist, Mrs. Beth Williams as guest speaker, and her subject was "General Health" which was most interesting and informative telling of one's personal health habits.

Again, Evelyn Driscoll accepted our once-a-year-money-making-project, which will be concluded in November. The books will be \$5 each. Please make every effort and accept the book.

After the program, the ladies sat

back and enjoyed the goodies donated by Bernice Morrison and Helen Hoff. The table was decorated by Evelyn Driscoll and assisted by Emma Yergovich and Helen Price.

Cash donated: \$3-Rose Winters and Matilda Grepo \$2-Mary Nicksic. Many thanks to all of you!

Our Secty. Mildred Poropat is appealing to all of you who are behind in your dues, either to send her the dues through the mail or come to one

of our meetings. Her address is 15311 Sequoia St., Oak Forest, Ill. 60452, phone 312-687-6434. She will appreciate your promptness.

Get-well wishes to Mary Toporis who was hospitalized and underwent an operation.

Our members join me in the expression of our heartfelt sympathy to, Mildred Poropat, Fran Seabloom and Mary Nicksic on the sudden passing of their beloved brother, Stanley. we

A smile for all

Mrs. Rebecca Jo Nagel, honored Mother of the Year of Br. 103, with her daughter, Karen and member, Tončka Cigale, seem to reflect the pleasant atmosphere at the annual party they attended in Washington, D. C.



also express our deep regret at the passing of Chestra Gracyk's son, Gene and Virginia Kwiatkowski's brother who died suddenly of a heart attack; both of these men were too young to die and it is a loss that is great.

September Birthday celebrants are: Mary Hecimovich, Mary Matesich Dosen, Mary J. Mundger, Anna Tumpich, Katherine Klepich, Mary Perkovich (Bob), Dragica Vukosovich, Michalene Pujak, Matilda Cacich and Manda Spehar.

Attend our September meeting and bring a guest with you. See you then.

MILDRED JAMES

No. 101, BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OHIO

Happy Birthday to America and to all Americans!!!! I sure hope you had a great 4th of July and are having a splendid Summer.

Our July meetin' was taken up by planning the activities of the Bedford Heights Home Days. We have decided to eliminate the sale of Waffles, since the cost is over our budget and have instead French Fries — Coffee and the Italian Ice. Our scheduling was for the 4 nights. Since we all reap the benefits of this money making project, so it's only fair that we all contribute our fair share of help...

Thanks to our hostesses for July, Dorothy Szumski and Vicki Matjasic, they were very patriotic with a Red, White and Blue theme for their cupcakes with flag decorations and their candy favors. They were all yummy.

Secretary Mildred Hetzel returned to meeting hobbling on her crutches. She corrected my report of last month, she didn't fall and break her leg. She is a nurse and an obese patient in a wheel chair ran over her foot and broke it. None the less we're glad to see you back at our meeting.

Congratulations to Agnes and Louis Pederi and family. They are very proud to inform us their daughter Cheryl has graduated from Bedford High School one year early. A two fold congratulations to Cheryl, she became engaged to John Inetta of Oakwood. Mother Agnes reports no wedding
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Bring Children and Culture together

No. 103, WASHINGTON, D.C.

A delightful Mother's Day Program replaced our usual meeting for the month of May. Jana Bevec, our able Chairman, is to be commended for encouraging our young talented Juniors to take part in this presentation. Lydia Bevec continues to be our young mistress of ceremonies despite the fact that she is an active student at Georgetown University.

The program opened with the Children's Procession and Crowning of the Blessed Virgin followed by:

Slovenian Reading — "Vzdržal Je" (Franc S. Finžgar) by **Bernadette Kováčič** English Translation — "Vzdržal Je" **Maria Mejač**

(These Juniors are now fashionable teenagers).

Piano Selections — Fuge in C (J. S. Bach)

Russian Dancer (Norman Dello)

Janelle Zadnik

(Difficult selections, which proved that practice adds to success)

Slovenian Recitation — "Otroku" (Anđica Medved) **Marko Richardson**

Slovenian Recitation — "Pesem O Zlatu" (M. Kunčič). **Rečca Richardson** (The delightful children of Mr. and Mrs. Billiebault Richardson appeared for the first time and performed beautifully).

Piano Selections — Minuet (Bach), Blue Danube, (Johann Strauss), On Wings of Songs (Mendelssohn)

M. Skopec

(Also a newcomer and doing very well).

Organ Selection **Karen Nagel**

(Played Brahms lullaby with much feeling for her mother — our Honored Mother of the Year).

Piano Selections — Invention VIII (Bach).

About Strange Lands and People (Shumen) **Susan Terselič**

(Susan is getting prettier each year and improving on the Piano)

Flute — Sonata IV (G. F. Handel).

Miss Cesnik

(A pretty young lady makes an unusual instrument sound good).

Piano Selection — "The Hunters"

Anne Paulin

Piano Selection — "Waltz of the Flowers"

Maria Paulin

The lovely young daughters of our Vice President making their first appearance).

Accordion Trio — Rdeči Nageljni (Albert Papler), Na Golici (Avsenik)

Andrej Bevec

Christopher Bohinc

Tomaž Stepec

(A handsome group of young men who play in harmony and always add to your pleasure. Tomaž is from Cleveland).

Selection of songs sung by the Slovenian, Choral Group, directed by

Vladimir Pregelj

(As a fitting climax we were privileged to hear this group — our sincere thanks to them).

At this time we honored our Mother of the Year, Mrs. Rebecca Jo Nagel, with the presentation of a lovely bouquet of red carnations with accordion accompaniment by Mrs. Anna Raspset.

Following the program we were served a delicious luncheon by our ladies and our many thanks to all those who helped in any way.

We are sorry the Antolin children were unable to attend.

The members of our group were saddened by the sudden death of Mr. Joseph Jasbec who was always a participant at our functions.

And we wish strength and recovery to those who are ill;

Mrs. Maria Paulin, our vice president, is recovering from surgery; Mr. Bogomir Javornik has been hospitalized; Capt. James A. Laurich is seriously ill at the U.S. Naval Hospital at Bethesda, Md.

FREDA H. MICHELITCH,
President

Food for Thought, Money and Taxes

A stack of one billion one-dollar bills would reach 68 miles high. The \$76 billion national deficit this year would make a stack 5,100 miles high.

In 1963 interest on the national debt cost us \$10.7 billion; in 1971 it was \$20.1 billion; in 1976, \$45 billion. It is the third largest item in the National Budget.

The National Debt mounts at the rate of \$1,250 per SECOND. If every American who files an income tax return year were to add an amount sufficient to retire this debt, it would require \$6,500 extra from each person.

It took from 1788 to 1962, 174 years, for the government to spend \$100 billion. It took only nine years more to file on the second \$100 billion. Now we are adding \$100 billion in Fiscal Year 1976-77 Budget. In the last eight years the National Budget has climbed from \$183 billion to \$423 billion.

The Department of Commerce states that the cost of Government has increased 776% since 1950. In 1940 the average tax paid per family of four was \$308, today we pay an average of 43¢ out of every dollar earned.

The new \$2 bill buys exactly what \$1.15 bought 10 years ago.

From 1970 to 1975 the cost of living escalated 43%. A man who earned \$15,000 in 1966, needed \$27,500 to stay even in 1975. At the present rate of inflation of 6.8% per annum, a Big Mac will cost \$12 by the year 2000; a

\$50 bag of groceries will cost \$100 in 1986, \$200 in 1996 and \$400 in 2006.

Between 1789 and 1974 the population of our country multiplied 60 times. The bureaucracy multiplied 8,170 times. In 1930 one of every 204 people were employed by the federal government, today it is one of every 77. One of every 6.5 people is employed by either federal, state or local governments.

National Defense now takes 29% of the National Budget; the Department of Health, Education & Welfare takes 58%, exactly double! HEW budget increased 21.4% last year alone.

In 1952 we spent 13.5% of our Gross National Product (GNP) for Defense. Since 1959 the level of Defense spending has fallen from 8.9% to 5.9% today.

5.3% of our Labor Force is today involved in Defense work, down from 8% ten years ago. The military now uses 3% of the goods and services of our economy, half of that of ten years ago.

The National Observer states 103 freshmen Members of Congress believe we are spending too much for Defense and not enough for social services. Some presidential candidates say the same.

The principle justification for the existence of government is to protect its citizens from foreign aggression. If our government cannot defend us, then all debates about what role government may be permitted in society are meaningless.

MARY LEVENICK

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date has been set yet. The couple are both attending Cleveland State University in the Fall. Our wishes for happiness to you all...

Mrs. Helen Jurek announced the engagement of her daughter Theodora Ann (Teddy). An October 31st wedding date is planned. Congratulations to the couple.

Lucille Picone reported her family will be together for the 4th of July holiday, as you remember the family numbers to about 100 and Lucille is tired already.

Edna Hetzel enjoyed a visit from her parents and 2 sisters from Florida for a few days in early July. They

all then journeyed to West Virginia to visit their grandfather.

Summer fun for the families of Carol Sidari and new member Mona Sladky, they have both recently purchased boats. They will be trying out their sea legs... and doing a lot of fishing and water skiing... Lotsa Luck with the new Yatches...

Happy Birthday to our August gals Lucille Picone, Betty Matjasic and Dorothy Szumski wishing you a happy day and many many more.

The poem for this month: **The Art of Giving.**

We give of ourselves when we give gifts of the heart: love, kindness, joy, understanding, sympathy, tolerance, forgiveness.

We give of ourselves when we give gifts of the mind: ideas, dreams, purposes, ideals, principles, plans, inventions, projects, poetry.

We give of ourselves when we give gifts of the spirit: prayer, vision, beauty, aspirations, peace, faith.

We give of ourselves when we give the gift of words: encouragement, inspiration, guidance.

Emerson said it well: "Rings and jewels are not gifts, but apologies for gifts."

The only true gift is a portion of thyself."

Till the next time... have a nice day... every day...

RITAMARIE MERTLE
Your Roving Reporter

Convention Capsules...

Pittsburgh welcomed us with open arms — We reciprocated with open minds, hearts and pocketbooks... Our girls were scattered over many floors, so there was a lot of knocking on doors and asking "Is Rosie in there?"... Sometimes there would be a surprised male voice answering... Wow, what a thrill... Who but Harry Belefonte held the elevator door open on the 14th floor for one very surprised female... and just who was that phantom "champagne glass snatcher" lucky not to get caught... Does anyone know "Joe Frzmaga"... How about those ladies in the lobby sneakin' peeks at Galaxy and Playboy magazines? "Pa nisem še nikdar vide'a tako"... Someone suggested buying one and charging one dollar a peek to make money for Convention expenses... Who toasted "Tsiske" instead of "Častitke"?... Surprise of the "Night on the Town": since when does a brandy old fashioned

sour come with and extra bottle of the "sour". There were a few ladies who never got to Mass... Did someone shut off the alarm?... Ya, pa res — I've gained 10 pounds — this Hilton cuisine is TOPS which is what some of us will have to join after arriving home... Lemon creme pie — pineapple cream pie... banana creme pie... baked Alaska, all looked good but tasted even better.

Remarks Overheard: O K now let's get goin' — Now where did she go? — Hey, has anyone seen Mary? — I didn't realize the tab's were so close together — Here, hand her this drink of water; she's been talking along time — Yes, but... I move... Madam Chairman... Why... You're out of order... Can't we leave now?... Did you see the nice handcrafted items next door?... All right now, who took my folder?... Don't anyone leave! But we had to, with reluctance, and with many pleasant memories, new friendships, new ideas to make SWU and even better and richer organization than it has been in the past. **The Phantom Phew**

MARIE PRISLAND

OH, TA SVET



ZVEZINE NOVE GLAVNE ODBORNICE

Zadnja konvencija je izvolila devet novih glavnih odbornic. Rada bi vsako posebej predstavila z njenim življenjespisom, pa vseh poročil nisem pravočasno prejela. Omenjam na kratko:

NEŽIKA GABER, bivša podpredsednica podružnice št. 2 ter učiteljica slovenščine v sobotni šoli v Chicagu je nova glavna podpredsednica. Je prijazna oseba, razumevajoča, širokogrudna in bo prav gotovo dobra voditeljica.

Nova glavna tajnica je **OLGA ANCEL**, katero sem v Zarji že enkrat podrobneje opisala. Naj ponovim, da je OLGA vestna in delavna tajnica podružnice št. 20 Jolietu. Več podružničnih tajnic je želelo imeti Olgo za gl. tajnico. Želja je izpolnjena. Olgo poznamo že od takrat, ko je njena mamica bila gl. tajnica in Olga pomočnica.

MARY MAROLT je nova glavna blagajničarka. Članica je podružnice v Jolietu, je na slovensko narodnost ponosna, za Zvezo navdušena, razgibana in ne bo mirovala, temveč bo aktivna pri vseh programih.

Mladinska voditeljica je **FRANCES SIETZ**, članica in bivša predsednica podružnice št. 50 v Clevelandu. Imela bo težko nalogo pred seboj zainteresirati in zbrati mladino za delo pri Zvezi. Vendar, če kdo, je Frances za ta urad na mestu, ker že od mladih let deluje z mladino in to z uspehom kot so "Drill Teams", "Debutante Balls" in drugi taki programi. Mnogo uspeha ji želimo tudi v bodoče.

Konvencija je potrdila štiri nove državne predsednice: **ANNA MODIZ** zavzema mesto Wisconsin državne predsednice. Je ustanovna članica Sheboyganske podružnice ter njena zapisničarka 45 let. Ančka je naš potniški agent ter je vedno pripravljena povsod pomagati.

Državna predsednica za Colorado, Kansas in Missouri je **FRANCES SIMONICH**, od leta 1964 delavna tajnica podružnice št. 3 v Pueblu. Je pri članstvu priljubljena in bo v svojem uradu prav gotovo uspešna.

ANN VUCKO, nadzornica podružnice št. 2 v Chicagu je državna predsednica za Illinois-Indiana. Rada piše in je skrbna v pogledu poslovanja, zato smo prepričane, da bo postala prav uspešna glavna odbornica.

LUCILLE SMITH, več let delavna tajnica podružnice št. 71 v Strabane, je bila izvoljena za državno predsednico za Penna, New York in District of Columbia. Vse svoje otroke in vnuke ima včlanjene v svoji podružnici ter se bo potrudila pridobiti zanimanje mladih članic, da bodo postale odbornice pri podružnicah v njenem področju. Velike sreče ji pri tem želimo!

Podružnice na daljnem Zapadu bo zastopala kot državna predsednica **Rose Scoff**, delegatka podružnice št. 13 v San Francisco. Rose je dobra delavka in Zvezi z vsem srečem vdana. Želimo ji mnogo sreče v uradu.

Sosestram, ki so svoj urad oddale, se prisrčno zahvaljujemo za njih trud in delo v korist Zveze. Upamo, da z iztopom njih zanimanje za organizacijo ne bo prenehalo, temveč, da bodo aktivne tudi zanj.

SOŽALJE

Nemila smrt nam je letos ugrabila tri dobre in zveste članice odbornice. Preminula je **ANTONIA BAYT**, mamica bivšega župana mesta Indianapolis ter dogoletna članica

tamošnje podružnice št. 5. Bila je prijazna žena, za Zvezo vneta in od vseh spoštovana.

HELEN COREL, ustanoviteljica in večletna predsednica podružnice št. 93 v Brocklynu ter Zvezina gl. odbornica v Prosvetnem odseku. Čeprav v letih mi je pred nekaj časa poslala 50 dolarjev za šolninski sklad v pomoč kakemu studentu do boljše izobrazbe, je zapisala.

Meseca julija je preminula **JOSEPHINE LIVEK**, svoj čas predsednica podružnice št. 89, Oglesby, Ill. ter devet let skrbna Zvezina glavna predsednica. Z njo sodelovati je bilo veselo, ker je bila razgledana in ljubeznjiva.

Zvezina prva glavna odbornica, **Jennie Ožbolt** ki je takoj od početka zvezo zagovarjala, ko je mlada organizacija imela malo prijateljev, je preminula meseca julija. Bila je so ustanoviteljica podružnice št. 6 v Barbertonu.

Naj goriomenjenim, kakor vsem preminulim članicam dobri Bog obilo poplača njih dobra dela na zemlji. Sorodnikom naše sožalje!

NOVICE IZ DOMOVINE

Jugoslavija ima nad 210 milijonov ljudi, znači novo ljudsko štetje. Slovenija se bliža drugemu milijonu.

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Jugoslovanka je bila priznana kot najlepše dekle na svetu. Je to Lidija Manič. Naslov **MISS WORLD** je prejela na mednarodni prireditvi na Japonskem.

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V dvorani Slovenske filharmonije v Ljubljani so imeli lep Prešernov večer, posvečen 175-letnici pesnikovega rojstva.

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Obisk turistov v Jugoslaviji je za 7 odstotkov večji kot prejšnje leto. Nad dva milijona turistov je obiskalo lepe zgodovinske kraje v Sloveniji in drugod.

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Is Pirana, ki je slovenska ladjedelnica, poročajo, da se spustili v morje ladjo z imenom **VRHNIKA**. To je že 23ta plovna ladja slovenskega ladjarskega podjetja.

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Za razvoj Sločave in Logarske doline so se pričeli tamošnji predstavniki družbenih organizacij poseno zanimati. Kraj je naravnost krasen za turizem, le slabe ceste ima. Izvršni svet priporoča, da **GLIN** v Nazarjih pomaga uresničiti izgračnjo gozdnatih cest na katere se bodo priključile visoko ležeče kmetije. Solčava in Logarska dolina morata dobiti ustrezno mesto v Gornjesavijnski dolini. Da bi se to kmalu zgodilo je gotovo upanje tamošnjih ljudi.

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V Jugoslaviji letno popijejo eno milijardo litrov alkohola. Od tega največ vina, žganja pa 122 milijonov litrov.

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Povprečni mesečni zaslužek povprečnega delavca v Sloveniji je 3,400 dinarjev. Z izmenjavo po 15 dinarjev za dolar bi to približno zneslo 226 dolarjev. Polovico mesečne plače vzame država; draga so tudi stanovanja. Mal apartment stane 1,000 dinarjev mesečno. Poleg stanarine je treba plačati še kurjavo, vodo, elektriko, odvoz smeti in drugo, tako da stane mesečno stanovanje treh sobic okrog 1,700 dinarjev.

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Razpravljajo o zakonu, kako in kašno pokojnino bi naj dobil kmet. Kmetje imajo malo osebnih dohodkov in težko je dobiti posojilo ali kredite za posojilo.

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Prijateljica piše, da so v Sloveniji zdaj tako dobre razmere, da je pričel rasti napuh. Ljudje se kosajo, kdo se bo bolj postavil. Potujejo po vsem svetu, vse gre na počitnice v svoje male weekend hišice, avtomobilov je na pretek, tudi po trije so pri nekaterih hišah. Pri svatbah pripravijo tudi milijon dinarjev, itd. — No, Bog jim požegnaj!

IZ NAŠE SLOVENSKE DEDIŠČINE

Pred mano je pismo. "Zelo bi me veselilo, če se boste odločila pisati za Zarjo. Če morete, bi želela, da začnete takoj." Podpisana je Corinne Leskovar, urednica Zarje in znana kulturna delavka. Seveda me je vabilo prijetno presenetilo, ker na kako svojo "kolono" v Zarji ali kjer koli drugje nisem nikdar mislila. Pa tudi ustrašila sem se. Saj ve matere same najboljše veste, kako je s tremi malimi otroci. Poleg družine pa terja precej časa tudi moje "tajnikovanje" pri našem Slovenskem ameriškem inštitutu in slovenska šola, predvsem pripravljanje učbenikov, ki jih naša skupnost tudi tako zelo potrebuje.

Toda po drugi strani moramo vsi po svojih močeh pomagati vsakemu poštenemu slovenskemu listu. Zarja gotovo med temi listi zavzema še posebno odlično mesto, saj je pestra in bogata po vsebini, izhaja v visoki nakladi in doseže naše slovenske žene in matere, ki bolj kot kdor koli drugi ohranjajo našo slovensko dediščino. Moj mož Edi je s pomočjo številnih sodelavcev našega Slovenskega ameriškega inštituta — Slovenian Research Centre of America zbral že na tisoče dragocenih zgodovinskih arhivov, tako da za gradivo ne bi smel biti problem. Ko mi je obljubil svojo pomoč, sem se z veseljem odločila za pisanje in sprejela vabilo.

Pisati bom skušala nekaj v slovenščini in nekaj v angleščini. Snov bo iz naše slovenske dediščine, ki se je razlila kar čez ves širni svet.

Danes bomo pokramljale o zelo zanimivi Slovenki v Egiptu. Ta članek posvečam Mrs. Mariji Prislantovi, ustanoviteljici in častni predsednici SZZ in marljivi sodelavki pri Slovenskem ameriškem inštitutu. Mrs. Prislant in naša Slovenka v Egiptu imata namreč marsikaj skupnega: obe sta v življenju napravili mnogo dobrega in obe sta iz prelepe Savinjske doline.

V Egiptu zvoniju slovenski zvonovi

Spoštljivo zrem v arhive, ki čuvajo za zgodovino našo današnjo zgodbo. Na prvem je zabeleženo ime: Jozafat Ambrožič.

V njem je med drugim pismo, ki ga je dne 18. septembra 1970 pisal Ediju korni škof Jozafat Ambrožič, OFM, ki je skoraj trideset let deloval med Slovenci v Egiptu, zadnja leta svojega življenja pa je preživel v Jeruzalemu kot "opat in varuh starih zidov v Betfagi", kot je sam napisal pod svoj podpis. V pismu tudi pove, da ga je zadela kap in vse tipka samo s kazalcem, ki mu je še edini pokoren. Vseeno je ustregel Centrovu prošnji za podatke o Slovencih v Egiptu in Sveti deželi in nanizal je polno zgodovinskih dragocenosti in tudi spodbudnih besed, naj naš inštitut vključ vsem težavam in polemom pri svojem delu pogumno vztraja. To je bilo škofovo zadnje pismo. Stanje se mu je stalno slabšalo in 1. decembra 1970 je v Jeruzalemu umrl. Če bi ga Center ne bil še pravočasno poprosil za gradivo, bi šle tudi številne zgo-

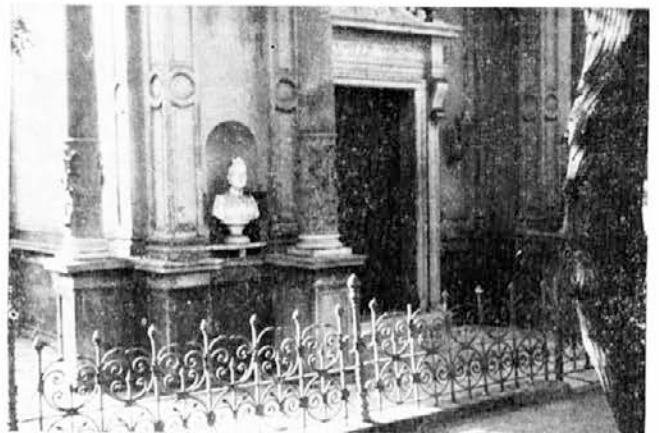


Slovenski korni škof Jozafat Ambrožič, OFM, apostol Slovencev v Egiptu in Sveti Deželi.

Slovenian Chor Bishop Josaphat Ambrozic, OFM, who labored among Slovenian in Egypt and Israel.

dovinske dragocenosti skupaj s sivolasim starčkom v grob. S posredovanjem msgr. Jezernika, rektorja Propaganda Fide in Slovenika v Rimu in s pomočjo slovenskih sester v Egiptu se je Centru posrečilo v naslednjih dveh letih zbrati še več podatkov in slik o Slovencih v Egiptu. Med njimi je tudi zgodba o Karolinci Prah iz Savinjske doline.

Škof Jozafat nam jo je prvi takole predstavil: "Rojena je bila kot Karolina Prah v Savinjski dolini. Poročila se je z grofom Janezom Tomičem. Umrla je v Švici in pokopana je v lastni kapeli v Kairu. Bila je velika dobrotnica raznih dobredelnih ustanov. Kupila je kar pet zvonov za stolno cerkev v Kairu, pet za Tabor, tri za Getsemani, tri za Muski. Veliko je prispevala za cerkev v Ibrahimieh v Aleksandriji — kar pet zvonov. Na pročelju te cerkve je velik mozaik, ki predstavlja njo in moža. Zgradila je tri



Tomičeva kapela s kipom in grobnico slovenske grofice Tomič v Kairu.

The Tomich Chapel, with the bust and the grave of Countess Tomich, in Cairo, Egypt.

šole, dve cerkvi in še razne druge ustanove."

Slovenske sestre v Egiptu pa so po dolgem in — kot same pravijo — težkem iskanju dodale še naslednje podatke: Leta 1910 je naša Slovenka postavila v cerkvi sv. Jožefa v sredini mesta Kairo marmornat oltar sv. Antona; leta 1922 je sezidala cerkev sestram frančiškankam v ulici Antikhana v Kairu; leta 1928 je istotam zgradila sirotišče, ki še danes deluje; leta 1931 je sezidala sestrsko hišo in cerkev na pristavi Zaharija v Aleksandriji in sestram kupila zemljišče za šolo. Frančiškanom v Ibrahimijah, Aleksandrija, je sezidala dvorano, kjer se gospe zbirajo k delu za reveže. Tamkajšnji cerkvi je darovala pet zvonov in v njej postavila stranski oltar.

V zahvalo so njo in njenega moža v mozaiku ovekovečili na pročelju cerkve. Frančiškanski župniji na Bacosu v Aleksandriji je zgradila kino dvorano. Salezijancem je kupila orgle ter jim podarila večjo vsoto denarja za razne dobrodelne namene. In leta 1952 je krila vse stroške za tlakovanje z marmorjem v cerkvi sv. Katarine v Aleksandriji.

Ali ni vse to nekaj čudovitega? Ali nam ne zapoje srce ob slovenskih uspehih v Egiptu in po vsem širnem svetu? Poglejte, drage prijateljice! Zaničevali so nas in zapostavljali, a vendar ni zlepa koticčka na svetu, kamor bi ne bili prinesli svojih bogatih darov tudi Slovenci! Da, tudi tam v daljnem Egiptu, kjer je tekla zibel civilizacije, je čudovito veliko dobrega storila — in veliko zgradila — tudi Slovenka Karolinca Prah, preprosto kmečko dekle iz Savinjske doline, ki je postala široko znana kot bogata in radodarna grofica Tomič. Njeno podobo so vtisnili v mozaik na pročelju cerkve v Aleksandriji in njen spomenik stoji v Kairu, kjer skupaj z možem počiva v lastni kapeli. V Kairu, Aleksandriji in po drugih mestih v Egiptu pa bodo še dolgo zvonili tudi njeni — slovenski zvonovi.



Katedrala sv. Jožefa v središču mesta Kairo.

St. Joseph's Cathedral, in the center of Cairo, Egypt.

DOPISI

PODR. 3, PUEBLO, COLO.

Pozdravljene vse tiste, s katerimi sem imela čast se spoznati na naši 17-ti konvenciji v Pittsburgu, Pa. Topla zahvala za prijazno postrežbo podr. št. 26, posebno preds. Anna Trontel in vodstvu odbora za odlični potek nepozabne konvencije v razkošnem hotelu Hilton.

Vse se je vršilo v najlepšem redu ob sodelovanju vseh, ki jim je pri srcu napredek naše Zveze. Vsaka konvencija je važen mejnik v zgodovini naše organizacije. Naša gl. preds., Mary Bostian, je odlično vodila konvencija zborovanja.

Posebno priznanje delegatijam, ki so podala svoja poročila v slovenskem besedilu, tudi jaz sem bila med njimi. Naj še posebno omenim Zofi Magajna. Bog ji je dal dar govora, da je podala svoje poročilo v lepem maternem jeziku. Enako tudi Fr. K. Okornu za molitve v slovenščini. Vsem hvaležna čast, da upoštevajo našo govorico, saj smo lahko ponosni na dediščino, katero smo prejeli od naših prednikov.

Č.g. p. Claude Okorn, naš duhovni svetovalec je obhajal 40 letnico mašništva. Iskreno mu čestitamo za njegovo zvesto službo, posebno tudi za delo pri naši SZZ.

Naša delegatinja, Frances Simonich, je prejela častno mesto kot izvoljena drž. predsednica za Colo., Kans. in Mo. Naše čestitke tudi podr. št. 20, Joliet, ki je pridobila v Kampanji 100 novih članic. Tudi podr. št. 26, se je postavila s 57 novimi članicami. Dobro-došle vse novo pristope v našo SZZ ob priliki konv. kampanje, skupno nad 500 novih članic, kar je hvale vredno uspešno delo za napredek Zveze.

Ann Tercek, preds. št. 50, je izročila na banketu ček v znesku \$1.000.00 od njene podr. za šolninski sklad. Res posnemanja vredno. To je bilo veselo presenečenje za Mrs. Priland.

Sedaj je v teku kampanja za pristop naše m'adine. Hvala za prijaznost Frances Zaitz na konvenciji in tudi Mary Tomsic.

Žal moram poročati tudi žalostne novice. Smrtno smo izgubili našo dolgoletno čla. Mary Derose, dekliško ime Hren. Nadalje so umrli poznani rojaki: Charles Pelc, Mary Maser, Tony Anzick. V avtomobilski nezgodi je umrl 23 letni, John Germ III, v Sacramento, Cal. Pok. je vnuk Mrs. Mary Germ v Pueblo. Njegovo truplo je bilo prepeljano v Pueblo. Vsem preostalim sorodnikom naše globoko sožalje. Umrli je tudi še mlada dekle, Miss Brigitte Roitz, sorodnica mojega moža, Klintz sorodnikov in Pechek.

Naj še omenim iskrene čestitke vsem poznanega Slovenca, č. g. Bonaventura Bandi, O.S.B., ki je bil izvoljen na visoko mesto opata benediktinske opatije Sv. Križa v Canon City, Colo. Posvečen je bil dne 17. junija. Novi opat je sin Lovrenca in naše čla. Anne Bandi. Tudi gl. odbornica Frances Zaitz je njegova sorodnica. Č.g. Bonaventura želimo mnogo sreče in uspehov na visokem službenem položaju v službi tistega, ki je nad nami. Njegovi materi moja voščila, saj si je vedno želela, da Bog blagoslovi in okrepi njegovo zdravje.

Pravijo, da nesreča nikoli ne počiva, tako se je pripetila usodna nesreča pri ribolovu, da je plinska peč vozila camper, polagoma puščala plin in eksplodirala in pri tem prizadela težke opekline Johnnie Pauček. Moral je biti 10 dni v bolnici in se sedaj zdravi doma, toda je še vedno v kritičnem stanju opeklin. Johnnie je sin Johane Pauček, naše dobre čla. Sočustvujemo z vso družino.

Naši mestni očetje si belijo glave o vzrokih zločinških primerov. Pravijo, da so vzroki v bolni družbi slabih vzgledov. Naša naselbina je zelo prizadeta. Kradejo kot srake.

Posebni pozdrav Rose Kramer s katero sva imele skupne sedeže na konv.

Poletje gre proti koncu in upam,

EVANGELIJ MORA BITI ŽIV

Znameniti nemški misijonar pater Leppich je neko soboto ob pol enajstih zvečer govoril po televiziji. V osmih minutah oddaje je svojim bratom in sestram Nemčije povedal nekaj, kar velja vsemu svetu in seveda tudi nam.

Takole je govoril: Bratje in sestre. Mislim, da je zelo nevarna v tej nočni uri verska oddaja na televiziji. Evangelij ni uspavalna tableta, ampak dinamit. In ta je nevaren za pozno nočno uro.

Prosim pogledajte na uro. V teh osmih minutah oddaje umira osem tisoč ljudi. Nekaj tisoč jih leži v bolnicah na operacijskih mizah v narkozi. V teh osmih minutah stoje ob reki Seni in drugod obupane žene zadnje sekunde pred samomorom. Vse to se dogaja v teh osmih minutah, ko sedimo pred televizorji in nam nedeljski zvon kakor zvočna kulisa doni skozi okno.

All se vas vse to dogajanje kaj tiče? Vi mislite, da je vse to stvar države, policije in organov javne varnosti. Če tako mislite, niste kristjani. Tedaj ste duhovni bratje ubijalca Kajna, ki je spraševal: "Sem mar jaz varuh svojega brata."

Kaj lahko vi storite? Pomagati morate svojim bratom: bolnim, umirajočim, lačnim.

Kako naj to storite. Pazite. Nočem vam gledati v denarnice in jih pretresati, pretressel bi rad vaša srca.

Bolniki: Imamo moderne bolnišnice, a imamo zapuščene bolniške sobe. V njih naši bolniki duhovno prezebajo. Vi jim lahko pomagate z bratsko uslugo, z obiskom, s knjigo, z darilom. Ste na to že kdaj pomislili?

In pijanci: V mestu je pet tisoč pijancev. To pomeni, da pet tisoč mater zaradi tega joka. Pet tisoč žena je zaradi tega zlomljenih in stirtih. Pet tisoč otrok zaradi tega prezira svoje očete. Vaš tovariš v poklicu, ki se je predal alkoholu, je kristjan, torej vaš brat. Recite mu vsaj eno besedo. Ko dobite plače, ga vzemite pod roko in ga peljite domov. Rotrebno je samo pet tisoč angelov varuhov na

asfaltu tega mesta. Ne pustite, da bi bratovska ljubezen do pijancev zamrla.

Naše sirote: Vsak peti otrok se mora odpovedati očetu ali materi, ker se je eden od njih ločil in prelomil zakonsko zvestobo. In za to je kaznovan otrok. Lačen je ljubezni.

Rastlina v kleti, ki je brez sončne svetlobe, postane blede rumena. Otrok brez ljubezni zakrni in utegne postati prestopnik. Nikar ne recite, da ne morete pomagati. Čakamo na kamenje, da bomo mogli graditi družinske sirotišnice. Vaš pes morda spi na volnenem kocu. Naši malčki vas prosijo za ta koc. Ali pa darujte v ta namen eno posteljo.

Mirno sedite pred televizorjem in se brezskrbno pripravljate za nedeljo, ko je vaša miza obilnejše pogrnjena. Ne pozabimo, da milijoni nimajo kruha, mi pa smo presiti. Na tisoče otrok po Aziji in drugod pa gleda svoje matere, ki nimajo ničesar, da bi jim dale na krožnik. Ko bi vsaj toliko dali za kruh, v kolikor daste v mlinček za kavo. Morda bi s tem rešili kako življenje. Ko bi vsak vaš otrok prinesel le eno škatlo konserviranega mleka, bi tisoče rešili lakote in smrti.

Ali zadaj razumete, da utegne postati evangelij o ljubezni do bližnjega dinamit?

Ali vam smem ob koncu oddaje reči: Želim vam mirno noč?

Ne. Če niste nič storili, če kot kristjani nočete pomagati, potem vam želim nemirno noč. Medtem, ko vi mirno spite, jih na milijone prezeba, trepeti, joka in strada. Predno gremo spat nas mora vest peči kakor ogenj. Vedeti moramo, da smo si vsi bratje, odrešeni s krvjo Jezusa Kristusa.

Toda, bratje, ki bomo v večnosti toženi in sojeni po bratski ljubezni, zdaj lahko zaprete aparate. Osem minut je minilo.

A prosim vas ne zaprite svojih src. Pomagajte, še je čas. Mrtvim v grobu ne moremo več odpreti oči. Živim, ki se utaplajo v boli, lahko prinesete luč.

Če boste to storili, tedaj in samo tedaj, vam želim mirno in blagoslovljeno noč.

da ste vsi čitatelji naše Zarje preživeli zdrave in zadovoljne počitnice.

Pozdravljeni vsi!

Vaša,

ANNA PACHAK

PODR. 14, EUCLID, OHIO

Avgustova seja je bila kar dobro obiskana. V zadnjem mesecu je umrla Mary Smrdel, ki je zadnja 4 leta preživela v domu ostarelih na Neff Rd. Zadnja leta je prestala hude bolečine, zato ji naj Bog stotero poplača za njeno trpljenje in vsa njena dobra dela. Hodila je rada na seje in je vedno na vsaki seji prispevala za društvo. Bog ji daj večni mir in večna luč naj ji sveti. Domačim pa naše sožalje.

Iz obiska Slovenije so se vrnili družina Povirk in Speharjevi, ki so skupno potovali na novo mašo k Sv. Križu pri Moravčah. Novomašnik je brat od Janeza Povirk. Istočasno so šli tudi družina Stanley Krulc. Šli so na dom k Sv. Jerneju pri Moravčah. Sedaj so se vsi že srečno vrnili. Na deset

dnevnih počitnicah sta bila tudi Mary in Frank Iskra.

Lepo 47 letnico poroke sta obhajala Mr. in Mrs. Bubnič, poleg tega pa tudi rojstni dan. V ta namen je prinesla na sejo prav lepo darilo. Ona je res dobra članica. Rada pomaga pri društvu. Hvala Mrs. Bubnič.

Tajnica je brala več zahvalnih kart. Darovale so: Mrs. Klemenčič, Mrs. Čekada, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Bubnič, Mrs. Karenčič, Mrs. Plut, Mrs. Humphrey in Mrs. Kožel. Vsem se lepo zahvalim. Naj vam Bog poplača na dobrem zdravju.

Tega večera smo tudi sprejele v našo sredo novo članico, Stella Korkal.

Lep pozdrav vsem!

ANTONIJA ŠUŠTAR

PODR. 20, JOLIET, ILL.

Na zadnji seji pred počitnicami, bilo je na Očetovski dan, se je zbralo lepo število članic. Najprej je naša preds. poročala o rezultatih konvencije. Omenila je tudi, da naša taj. Olga

Ancel ne bo več taj. podr., ker jo je konvencija izvolila za gl. tajnico Zveze. Članice so to zvele na znanje z obžalovanjem, ker Olga ima veliko zaslug za podr. Na njeno mesto so po določilih koopticije imenovali njeno namestnico Agnes Lovati, ki je dobro poznana delavna članica, kakor je bila tudi njena pok. mati, Mary Schmitberger, to je Agnes Skul, katere se vsi spominjamo. Agnes ima tudi sestre in družino pri Zvezi in bo navdušeno storila vse v njeni moči za napredek podr.

Članice so z zanimanjem poslušale ves potek in sklepe konvencije, kar bodo nadalje brale v Zarji.

Tudi naša blagajničarka, Mary Marolt, ki je v tem času bila izvoljena za gl. blag., je omenila, da se je udeležilo mnogo konvencij, toda nobena ni bila tako zanimiva, kakor Zvezina. Preds. povdari, da moramo prositi za božji blagoslov, da bo medsebojno razumevanje in prijateljstvo vladalo med nami.

Podpreds. Mary Ivanic je v juniju po 4 letih zopet odpotovala na obisk

Ob smrti pionirke, Jennie Ožbolt

PODR. 6, BARBERTON, OHIO

Dne 25. julija je umrla ustanovna članica št. 6, vsestransko delavna članica in odbornica naše Zveze, JENNIE OZBOLT v lepi starosti 84 let.

Pokojna je bila rojena v Sloveniji in je živela v Ameriki 67 let, navječ v Barbertonu nad 55 let.

Za njo žalujejo hčerke, Mrs. Frances Spice iz Wadsworth in Mrs. Tillie Wagner iz Canal Fulton ter sin William iz Barbertona, kakor tudi 12 vnukov in 16 pravnukov.

Spomin na blago pokojnico bo ostal vedno živ med nami, zaradi njenega nesebičnega dela v slovenskih društvih in posebno tudi, ker je napisala mnogo pesmic na željo prijateljev in sorodnikov za razne prilike.

V njeni zapuščini je med drugimi najdena tudi ta pesmica, katero je

posvetila svoji mami in je prav primerna tudi v njen spomin:

Moji Mami v Spomin

So zvonovi tam zvonili,
svet, da tužno vest izvo;
moji zlati dragi mami,
več ne bije ji srce.

V rakev so jo položili
okrasili s cvetjem jo;
sveče ji v spomin prižgali
in pri tem jokali so.

Grobar tamkaj je izkopal,
tiho hladno jamico;
Kamor moj zaklad najdražji,
so zagrebli mamico.

V grobu tamkaj zdaj počiva
in sladko sniva naj;
Bog daj njeni duši blagi,
večni pokoj, mir in sveti raj.



Mrs. JENNIE OŽBOLT ustanovna čla. št. 6 na sliki posneti pred leti na njenem vrtu v Barbertonu.

Slovenije. Želimo ji mnogo razvedrila in srečno vrnitev.

Iz Luksemburga je prišla Vera Muir, ki je tam obiskala starejšo hčerko Olge Ancel in v Sloveniji sorodnike. Obiskali so Bohinj, Bled, kjer se jim je najbolj dopadlo, kakor tudi drugi kraji Slovenije. Potovali so tudi po Švici, Franciji in Italiji. Mož in 3 sinovi so se že srečno vrnili.

Dne 26. junija smo imeli Bi-centennial parado, kjer so razni narodi pokazali svoje sposobnosti. Slovenci naše fare so več tednov delali naš "float", ki je predstavljal cerkev Sv. Jožefa z dvema zvonikoma. Naš pomožni župnik Rev. David Staltzer, je večer za večerom pomagal pri delu. Med 300 vozili v paradi, je slovensko vozilo pod naslovom: "SLOVENES OF ST. JOSEPH CHURCH" z otroci v slovenskih narodnih nošah, je vzbudilo mnogo zanimanja in aplavzov. Sredi slovenske skupine sta korakala pod domačim parazolom, Edi Ancel (mož Olge) v narodni noši in podpreds. Mary Ivanic. Tudi mladinski krožek je žel mnogo aplavza, ko so korakali mimo z njihovimi instrumenti. Vodnik te skupine je Joseph Ancel, sin Olge in brat, Andrej, toda Marie Ancel, ki je tudi članica "Kazoo" bande je korakala s St. Frances High School band in Rosanne Ruth s šolarkami St. Francis Academy. Zahvala in čestitkem vsem, ki so pomagali predstaviti naše slovensko zastopstvo v paradi.

Vsako leto pošlje Ameriška Legija št. 1080 dekleta za pouk v "civics" v Murray College v Jacksonville. Letos je bila izbrana Marie Ancel, učen-

ka St. Francis šole. Čestitke!

Tem potem pošiljamo iskreno zahvalo Msgr. Butala, župniku Roman Malovašič ter vsem številnim sorodnikom in prijateljem, ki so se udeležili naše 50 letnice poroke dne 30. junija v Holiday Inn West.

V tem času so bolne ses. Mayme Fedo in Frances Stonich, naša odbornica. Želimo jima hitro ozdravljenje.

Prisrčne čestitke naši dobri članici Mrs. Johana Krall, ki je praznovala svoj 86 letni rojstni dan pri hčerki v krogu sorodnikov in prijateljev v Luisiani. Ses. Krall je vedno pripravljena pomagati pri peki, ali kjerkoli. Naj Vas Bog ohrani, Mrs. Krall!

Na domu Olge Ancel je imel mladinski odsek svoj letni party v veselje vseh.

Naša čla. Bernice Kostelec je poročala v lokalnem listu Herald News o proslavi 25 letnice Zveze, ki se je vršila v Lemontu ob veliki udeležbi 2 tisoč petsto oseb. Lepo je bilo videti dekleta v narodnih nošah in Olga Ancel korakati v procesiji s hčerko Vero in sinom Josephom. Vsi v narodnih nošah. Olga je nosila avtentično 100 let staro "avbo", kar je povzdignilo pomen te slavnosti, ki se pričela s sv. mašo pri Grotti in se zaključila s slov. ljudskim petjem.

Sestra Elizabeth Mary Klepec je praznovala 4 letnico službe kot podpredsednica zavoda v St. Francis. Pri slavnosti je bilo navzočih 600 sester, ki so ponovile svoje obljube. Sv. mašo je daroval škof Romeo Blanchette in somaševal je tudi brat ses. Eliz., Rev. Geo Klepec od fare Sv. Stanislava v Kankakee, Ill. Rev. Stefanich je tudi stric ses. Eliz. Marie. Njen oče, Joseph

Klepec, je bil prvi urednik Amer. Slovence in ustanovitelj Družbe Sv. Družine. Ses. je bila tudi čla. št. 20, kakor tudi njena stara mama Barbara Zelko. Bog jo blagoslovi v njenem delu za Boga.

Dorothy Dobczyk je izgubila sina Leo, Janet Wittenkeller, Marylin Olivero je izgubila brata Leo Dobczyk.

Čestitke Marla Mae Allen, ko so dobili sina.

V Baraga Bulletin smo čitali, da se urednica zahvaljuje podr. št. 20. za darilo \$25.00 v Baragov sklad kot zahvalo za uspeh pridobitve 100 novih članic.

Naša podpreds. Mary Ivanich se je vrnila iz Evrope, kjer je obiskala sorodnike po Sloveniji. Enako sta se vrnila Agnes Verbischer s soprogom. Vsem se je dopadlo.

Iskrena hvala vsem prijateljicam, članicam in sorodnikom za obiske, ovetlice in kartice ob priliki mojega bivanja v St. Joseph bolnišnici.

Vse ste lepo vabljene na polka mašo in potem na veselico popoldne. Pridite vse!

Vse lepo pozdravlja in se vidimo na seji v septembru.

JOSEPHINE ERJAVEC

PODR. 25, CLEVELAND, OHIO

Že dolgo se nismo oglasile v naši Zarji. Dosti se je naredilo v zadnjem času. Vršila se je 17. redna konvencija v Pittsburgu o kateri je bilo mnogo poročano v angleškem delu Zarje. Letos se je konvencija vršila v glavnem v angleškem jeziku, ker mlajše ne razumejo slovenščine. Prvi rod še

ČESTITKE ZLATOPOROČENCEMA!

PODR. 24, LA SALLE, ILL.

Poznana Mr. in Mrs. JOHN SWIETEK, sta dne 18. julija slavila zlato poroko v Eagles dvorani v Peru. Poročena sta bila leta 1926 v cerkvi Sv. Jožefa in njune priče Frances Petzel in Lawrence Wysocky sta bila med gosti.

Naša zlata nevesta Matilda (Tillie) rojena Zibert je č.a. št. 26 mnogo let in je še vedno mladostna, saj je stopila v zakon v ranih letih. Imajo hčerko Rosemary, še na domu in 4 sinove: John, Ronald, Thomas in Donald, kakor tudi 9 vnukov.

Tillie je imela nesrečo, da si je pri padcu zlomila obe nogi, vendar se je stanje toliko izboljšalo, da se je lahko udeležila slavnostnega sprejema. Čeprav nista mogla plesati, kakor na njun poročni dan, vendar je upanje, da bosta to nadomestila v kratkem. Bog ju živi še mnoga leta v skupni zakonski sreči!

Žalujemo izgubo še mlade 51 letne članice, Josephine Rogel. Pogreba so se udeležile članice in tri smo bile častne pogrebnice: Gail Hoffman, Frances Ahcin in podpisana. Molimo za pokoj njene duše!

Kakor v načrtu, v septembru ne bomo imele seje, zato ste pa vse lepo vabljeni, da se udeležite seje dne 1. oktobra ob 2 pop. v dvorani Sv. Roka. Poskusimo, da bomo imele dobro udeležbo, saj bo to prva seja v sezoni. Na domu Emme Shimkus, se bo vršil "rummage sale". Na okt. seji nam bo Emma podrobneje poročala o poteku konvencije. Vabljeni!

MARY MICI PILETIC

obvlada naš jezik, a drugi že bolj malo. Upamo, da naša mila slovenska govornica še ne bo šla v pozabo.

Iskreno čestitam naši novo-izvoljeni tajnici, Oglji Ancel, ki jo dobro poznam še iz mladostnih let, ko je bila z mamo, Josephine Erjavec, takratno tajnico in je vedno pomagala svoji mami. Mrs. Erjavec je takrat imela svoj urad v svoji hiši. Jaz sem takrat bila nadzornica in smo hodile na seje v njeno prvo nadstropje. Stopnice so bile precej visoke, da jih sedaj verjetno ne bi zmogla. Tebi, Olga, pa želim da boš našo Zvezo lepo vodila naprej po poti edinosti in medsebojne podpore. Vse tajnice pa bodite prošene, da redno pošiljate mesečna poročila in prispevke.

Pri naši podr. smo imele vesele dogodke. Sin naše dobre članice, Mary Mihalic je imel dne 12. junija prvo sv. mašo v cerkvi Sv. Jeroma. Bila sem med povabljenimi in je bilo vse jako lepo, tako v cerkvi, kakor potem na sprejemu. Iskrene čestitke staršem, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Muhalic ter bratu



MR. & MRS. JOHN SWIETEK

in sestri. Novomašnika pa naj Bog in Marija spremljata na poti življenja.

Poročila se je naša mladinska članica, Michelle Marie Spech z Mr. Daniel Holderbaum. Nevesta je edina hčerka našega zdravnika dr. Antona in žene Frances, rojene Zakrajšek. Imeli so lepo gostijo. Vse članice št. 25. jima želimo srečni zakon in lepe čestitke in voščila na skupno življenjsko pot.

Pri podr. pogrešamo našo dobro preds. Mary Kolegar, ki je že precej časa bolana. Pogrešamo njen nasmejani obraz, zato molimo, da ji Bog in Marija naklonita zdravje.

Naše delegatkinje so podale dobro poročilo o poteku konvencije in je dobro, da se niso doklade povišale, ker to je težko za tajnice. Tajnice se res mučijo, da imajo vse knjige v redu, zato prosim, da jim pomagata z rednimi plačili asesmenta.

Ko sem prebiral zadnjo Zarjo, sem našla sliko res dobrih prijateljic, ki so kakor zveste marjetice; Mrs. Planinsek in hčerka, Mrs. Priland, ki res dobro zgleda ter Mr. in Mrs. Jos. Erjavec. Tudi Joe dobro zgleda in mi je prišlo v spomin stari časi, ko nas je on vozil. Bilo je prav fletno. Na kosilo nas je povabila Mrs. Planinsek ter Mrs. Benedict na dobre sirove štruklje. Celih 26 let smo srožno skupno delovale za našo Zvezo. Ne smem pa pozabiti naše urednice, Corinne Leskovar, ki izvrstno vrši svoje delo urednice. Bodimo pocnosne na njo, da se vsaj malo oddolžimo za njen trud. Hvala Ti, Korinca! (Enako vam najlepša hvala. Ured).

Pri naši podr. smo letos izgubile

že 15 dobrih članic, ki so odšle v večnost. Nekatero so dočakale lepo starost. Umrla je tudi naša ustanoviteljica, Mary Peterlin, ki je bila tudi prva nadzornica. Bog jim daj večni mir in pokoj.

Bolnim članicam želim ljubega zdravja, posebno še naši preds. Mary Kolegar. Redno sejo bomo imele v septembru.

Vas vse lepo pozdravljam,

MARY OTONIČAR

PODR. 32, EUCLID, OHIO

V mesecu juniju je bila lepa udeležba na seji. Naša predsednica je poročala o poteku konvencije. Vse ji je bilo všeč in program je bil prav lep. Batoon Twirlers so zelo lepo marširale in dobile prvo nagrado. Pevke našega zbora The Dawn so krasno zapele. Več bodo o tem še druge poročale v Zarji.

Bolane članice so: Mary Drobnick, ki je bila operirana 3. julija, Mary Hochevar se zopet zdravi doma, Mary Ster, Frances Bradec, Rose Jenko je v bolnici. Bog jim daj ljubo zdravje! Frances Perme je tudi zbolela in je bila v Richmond Hts. bolnici in nato v Neff Rd. nursing dom. Sin Elmer želi, da bi obiskale Frances. Ne smemo pozabiti bolnikov, tudi Frances Korenčič in Mary Volpe. Obiskala sem Frances Perme in je bila hvaležna, da ji poteče čas bolj naglo. Noge so ji odpovedale, da ne more hoditi.

Čestitke Mr. in Mrs. Tony Bostian, ki sta 12. junija obhajala zlato poroko. Naj obema ljubi Bog ohrani dobro zdravje še mnoga let. Bog ju živi!

Naše sožalje Tončki Skvarca, kateri je umrl stric, dobro poznani trgovec na Holmes ave. Ste brali v Domovini in drugih listih o njem. Pogreb je bil 28. jun. Naj v miru počiva.

V Ft. Meyers, Fla., je umrl poznani rojak FRANK MRAMOR, soproj naše dobre čla. Josephine roj. Gerjevic. Pok. je vodil 30 let trgovino na St. Clairju do preselitve v Florido. Užalošeni ženi Josephine in vsej družini, posebno tudi njeni materi Frances Gerjevic iskreno sožalje. Naj blagi pokojni počiva v Bogu!

Frank in Ceil Žnidar sta odpotovala dne 3. julija za en mesec v Evropo. Ko boste brali te vrstice, bosta že zopet med nami.

Carol An Stopar, hči Mr. in Mrs. Raymond Stopar in James Horgan sta se dne 17. jul. poročila v cerkvi Lady of Mt. Carmel. Mlademu paru čestitke in srečo na skupni življenjski poti. Nevesta in njena mati sta obe naši članici.

Čestitke Rev. Claude Okorn ob 40 letnici mašniškega posvečenja. Velja mu naša zahvala za lepe duhovne misli v Zarji.

Ne pozabite v sredo 27. okt. imamo

sv. mašo za žive in umrle članice v cerkvi Sv. Kristine ob sedmih zvečer. Upamo, da pridete v lepem številu!

Ko se vrnete s počitnic, upamo, da boste imele precej novic. Se vidimo na seji dne 15. sept. Tajnica želi, da vsaka plača assessment. Bog naj vas blagoslovi!

A. TEKAVEC, zapis.

PODR. 64, KANSAS CITY, KANS.

Tukaj v srcu Amerike smo imeli prav moko pomlad in hladno vreme. Danes 28. junija smo imeli precej hudo nevihto.

Upam, da so se vse delegatkinje srečno vrnile iz konvencije in da so kaj dobrega ukrenile za Zvezo.

V maju smo tukaj v naši župniji in cerkvi obhajali dosti lepih dni. Prvega maja je bilo prvo sv. obhajilo otrok, ki obiskujejo našo farno šolo. Č. sestre in g. župnik H. Mejak so se močno potrudili, da so otroci imeli lepe dneve in nepozabne spomine na njihov graduation dan in prvo sv. obhajilo.

Na Materinski dan je ob osmi uri maševal in imel lepo pridigo in blagoslov materam, Rev. Ronnie Livojevich, ki je sin naših župljanov Mr. in Mrs. Michael Livojevich. Njegova mati je naša članica. Po maši pa so se vse žene in dekleta podale v farno dvorano, kjer so jim možje postregli z okusnim zajutrekom. Velja jim najlepša zahvala! Za Očetovski dan, so pa žene možem postregle z dobrim zajutrekom.

Naša poznana Mr. in Mrs. Anthony Lastelick sta na Materinski dan pri 10 sv. maši, katero je daroval Rev. H. Mejak slavila zlato poroko. Mrs. Lastelick je naša dobra tajnica že dolgo vrsto let. Njun sin Joe je glavni poročevalec za Kansas City Star v Washingtonu, D.C. Sin John je električni inženir in najmlajši sin Robert E. je odvetnik. Dve hčeri imajo tudi dobre službe, najmlajša hčerka je poročena z zdravnikom. Imajo 12 vnukov, ki se tudi pridno šolajo. Zlatoporočno slavje so imeli zvečer v Armory dvorani za vse sorodnike in mnogošteviline prijatelje. Mr. Lastelick je prišel iz starega kraja kot mlad fant z bratom in sestro po prvi svetovni vojski za svojo materjo, ki je že bila tukaj. Doma so iz vasi Boslivaloka, župnija Osilnica. Mrs. pa je tukaj rojena hčerka pok. Mr. in Mrs. Michael Majerle in prav dobro govori slovensko. Ima tudi dva brata in tri sestre. Bog daj zlatoporočencem in njihovim otrokom in vsej rodbini še dolgo vrsto let skupnega življenja v zdravju in sreči.

Soprog in jaz se najlepše zahvaliva Mrs. Ana Pachak in Frances Simcnič iz Puebla, Colo., ki so se nas spomnile s pozdravi iz konvencije.

Uradniki in odbor društva Sv. Ju-

rija, ABZ, se pridno pripravljajo za sprejem delegatov A.B.Z. Ko boste prejele to Zarjo bo njihova konvencija v našem mestu že za nami. Upam, da so vsi gostje odnesli kar najlepše spomine od nas.

Č. s. Saba, ki je že dolga leta učila v naši šoli in Mrs. Frances Burkel so se podale na obisk stare domovine. Mislim, da sta se med tem časom že srečno vrnile.

Iskrene čestitke Mr. in Mrs. Joseph Ružič, ki sta obhajala srebrno poroko v naši cerkvi in želimo jima še dosti zdravih let skupnega življenja.

Ravno danes je bila iz naše cerkve pokopana Miss Frances Schwab, ki je po dogli boleznii v starosti 55 let mirno zaspala. Zapušča enega brata in eno sestro ter dosti drugih sorodnikov. Bog ji daj večni mir. Preostalim naše sožalje.

Ob koncu naj opomnim, da se vsem zelo dopade opis od "MARTIN FROM LITVIJA" in vsi drugi opisi od imigrantov.

Mi, ki smo prišli sem čez morje pred leti, bi vsi imeli dosti za povedati od težkega življenja.

Najlepši pozdrav dični organizaciji.

ANTONIA KOSTELEC

PODR. 84, NEW YORK, N.Y.

Naša majska seja je bila bolj slabo obiskana. Imamo bolanih več članic in moja hčerka, naša tajnica Betty Birk, je bila operirana in v bolnici 2 tedna. Hvala Bogu se ji zdravje lepo vrača. Mrs. Mary Rode je bila veliko mesecev v bolnišnici, sedaj pa je v nursing home v Bronx. Pepca Kukovec je prav zadovoljna v nursing home, dobra postrežba in dobra hrana. Ne more hoditi, so ji noge odpovedale. Imamo par članic že nad 90 let starih, druge so pri hčerkah. Charlie Majdic naju je peljal s ses. Fzni Kerc na pokopališče, da sva obiskale grobove najinjih po. mož in žlahte. V Farmingdale sva obiskale čla. Ano Cerar, sestro od Fany Kerc. Maja je obhajala 80 letnico, kot njen mož Jaka. Žal sta sedaj pri bolj slabem zdravju. Upam, da bosta kmalu zopet pri dobrem zdravju. Hvala za postrežbo!

S prvim majem sem se poslovila iz Fontane. Podr. št. 100 je imela sejo in party. Imele smo se zelo lepo. Postregle so z okusnim pecivom, štrudelj in potico ter cake. Hvala predsednici in vsem članicam za lep večer. Poslovila sem se tudi od gostov v Slovenian Rest Home in obljubila, da se vrnem drugo zimo. Ravno tako moji žlahti Vidregar, ki so vsi bili zelo dobri za mene, posebno Mary ter sinova ter MaryLu, Frankova žena. Hvala vsem za lepo postrežbo.

Od tam sem odletela v West Palm Beach, Fla., kjer sta me čakala sin Stanley in žena Joan in od tam v Port St. Lucie, kjer imata krasno hišo,

s plavalnim bazenom. Na poti nazaj nas je na Atlantiku doletela nevihta, toda voznja na erop'anu, je vseeno bila mirna. Na Kennedy airport pa me je že čakal vnuk Steven Birk. Voznja je bila vseskozi prijetna, čeprav sem se nekoliko bala, ker hodim s palco, toda imajo lepo postrežbo, da vsaki priporočam malo potovanje, saj te z vozičkom prepelejejo iz enega eroplana na drugega. Je vredno malo potovati, saj v mladih letih si nismo mogle privoščiti izletov.

Dne 22. maja je naša Slovenska fara obhajala 60 letnico ustanovitve. Navzočih je bilo mnogo slovenskih duhovnikov pri sv. maši. V pridigi je bila podana zgodovina naše fare. Prav lepo je bilo videti kakih 20 slovenskih narodnih noš. Na banketu so bili govori in eden izmed duhovnikov je omenil in dal priznanje našim pionirjem, ki so pred 60 leti pomagali graditi slovensko cerkev. Od takratnih ustanoviteljev nas je še prav malo živih. Jaz sem prišla 1912 in moja brata in sestre pa že prej. Žal niso bile imenovane družine, ki so vzgojile 3 duhovnike, to so: Fr. Jerome Selak, sedaj župnik v Milwaukee. (Njegova mati je še živa, edina moja sestrična). Dalje Fr. Čagram, ki je v Lemontu in Fr. Maček, ki se sedaj nahaja v bolnišnici. Vsi smo zelo želeli slišati Fr. Jerome Selak, toda žal ni bil na programu. Stari Slovenci smo bili malo užaljeni, ker smo bili prezrti, kakor tudi naši newyorški sinovi, duhovniki, ki so pomagali slovenski cerkvi vsa leta. Program je bil zelo lep s petjem in odličnimi plesalci iz Clevelanda. Enako je krasno pela Ana Kopic Zajc ter Marinke in pevski zbor. Godba Jerry Koprivška je pomagala napraviti prijetno razpoloženje in smo imeli priložnost se srečati s starimi znanci.

Zaključujem z lepimi pozdravi vsem članicam in vas vabim, da se gotovo udeležite seje dne 18. septembra ob 1:30 p.m. pri meni na 1825 Woodbine Str. Prosim, da si zapomnite, ker ne bom posebej telefonirala.

ANGELA VOJE, preds.

PODR. 96, UNIVERSAL, PA.

Drage članice: Seja v juniju je bila dobro obiskana. Prosim in vabim vse članice, da se udeležite seje v nedeljo dne 12. septembra, to je druga nedelja v mesecu ob dveh popoldne v Center Hall Slovenskega doma. Prosim, da prinesete kaj za naše igre. Takoj po seji bomo začele igrati, da dobimo kaj za blagajno. Ravno tako vas prosim, da bi prinesle kaj za prigrizek in za dobro zabavo. Hvala vsem že vnaprej!

Želim, da se vse članice vidimo zdrave na prihodnji seji. Vsem lep pozdrav in na svidenje!

PAULA KOKAL, preds.

PODR. 100, FONTANA, CALIF.

Danes je res prva noč, tako je vrače, da ne morem spati, pa sem se spomnila na preljubo Zarjo, ker nobena nič ne piše o naši Fontani ter da se imamo še kar dobro. Seje so še dobro obiskane in po seji se kratkočasimo s pokrivanjem števil, pa tudi kako zapojemo. Ses. Sušel za to preskrbi.

Pred dobrim mesecem smo izgubile dobro čla. Ano Pegan. Bog ji bodi milostljiv. Poklical jo je tako hitro. Šla je na sejo in ko pride domov, se je pritožila, da jo v prsih tišči, da ne more dihati. So jo odpeljali v bolnišnico in v par urah jo je že Bog poklical. Bila je dobra žena ter dobra za vse, ako je le mogla je pomagala na en način ali drugi. Bog ji dobi dobri plačnik. Naše sožalje soprogu in družini.

Mati od Edith Drawenik, naše predsednice, je tudi v slabem položaju v negovalnem domu. Ako katera more, naj jo obišče.

Želim vsem članicam in uradnicam preljubo zdravje. Vsem tistim, ki praznujete rojstne dneve, čestitam. Bog naj živi Vas in nas, da se zopet snidemo na seji v septembru.

CHRISTINE FILIPS, poroč.

Members Mourned since June

Kathleen M. Malloy Jr.	Br. 2
Mary C. Derose B.	Br. 3
Ursula Rosenstein	Br. 5
Antonia Bayt	Br. 5
Louise H. Zagorc	Br. 10
Mary Kresal	Br. 10
Mary Smerdel	Br. 14
Vida Kuhar	Br. 14
Gertrude Cesek	Br. 15
Mary Kosmina	Br. 17
Mary Smrekar	Br. 20
Frances Papesh	Br. 20
Michaela Maren	Br. 20
Ange'a Kriznar	Br. 23
Jennie Pierce	Br. 25
Josephine Zupancic	Br. 25
Anna Laurich	Br. 25
Mary Skuly	Br. 25
Caroline Petkervich	Br. 26
Mary Butala	Br. 28
Josephine Kramer	Br. 31
Anna Medves	Br. 41
Mara Jurkezi	Br. 41
Frances Polc	Br. 41
Mary Plahuta	Br. 43
Amelia Robsel	Br. 55
Catherine Glivar	Br. 47
Katherine Russ	Br. 55
Mary Ann Chopyak	Br. 63
Mary Staršinic	Br. 63
Lillian A. Sipper	Br. 83
Catherine Jerab	Br. 90

Naj v miru počivajo!

Secretaries: Please take note. Until notified of the address of the new Home Office, please mail your monthly reports directly to the home of the new Secretary, Olga Ancel, 1117 Frederick St., Joliet, Ill. 60435. Zarja reports may be sent to the Editor 2032 W. Cermak Rd., Chicago, Ill. 60608.

**FINANCIAL REPORT — FINANČNO POROČILO
JUNE 1976**

Br. No.	Amount	Adults:	Jr.	Re.:	77	25.60	32	17
1	\$121.30	177	65		79	114.25	38	15
2	367.30	261	108	a	80	—	12	11
3	169.95	257	121		81	16.80	28	1
4	—	9	—		83	6.55	15	—
5	—	75	10	b	84	31.90	36	2
6	52.75	96	17		85	35.70	35	—
7	99.10	83	3	c	86	—	19	—
8	14.70	36	—		88	45.00	41	3
10	257.25	254	17	a	89	30.55	61	17
12	134.45	137	57	a	90	14.85	34	—
13	66.00	104	29		91	—	39	5
14	158.80	268	39		92	—	30	15
15	83.90	146	2		93	—	43	3
16	109.90	159	60		94	2.40	5	—
17	101.70	155	109		95	—	161	7
19	47.00	80	8		96	53.20	44	—
20	246.75	394	145		97	6.50	12	—
21	63.65	102	34		99	7.80	10	—
22	19.90	15	—	c	100	43.25	53	19
23	257.20	216	27		101	24.75	30	10
24	57.05	104	22		102	—	35	2
25	283.70	481	118		103	40.00	23	18
26	109.40	158	53		105	40.10	29	6
27	—	33	2		106	15.45	24	—
28	86.80	64	26					
29	9.75	20	2					
30	15.00	43	16					
31	75.10	68	14	c				
32	126.15	189	57					
33	128.00	174	117					
34	22.75	35	4					
35	30.10	45	16					
37	44.70	16	—					
38	88.20	94	—	a				
39	55.60	47	3	c				
40	66.45	103	1					
41	59.00	135	17					
42	65.90	55	4	a				
43	325.50	212	123	a				
45	21.30	42	11					
46	15.55	30	3					
47	138.15	108	41	a				
50	487.15	312	55	a				
52	35.75	50	12					
54	61.30	48	27	a				
55	40.15	60	22					
56	49.45	88	4					
57	65.40	52	13	c				
59	—	26	—					
61	—	5	1					
62	—	20	—	b				
63	—	72	9					
64	—	35	—	b				
65	38.60	34	14	a				
66	33.55	48	13					
67	44.05	66	7					
68	39.50	53	23					
70	—	13	—					
71	64.05	111	43					
73	66.15	102	63					
74	—	25	1					

Total:	\$5,775.50	7,389	1,959
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Remarks: May & June pd. a; Pd. in May b; June & July c; June to Oct. d, April, May f; May g.

Income — dohodki — June 1976

Assessment	\$5,775.50
Interest	1,465.10
Rent	135.00
Books sold	302.50
U.S. Treas	30,000.00
Total:	37,678.10
U.S. Treasury Bond asset	—30,000.00
New Income:	\$ 7,678.10

**DISBURSEMENTS — STROŠKI —
JUNE 1976**

Death Claims — zavarovalne	\$3,700.00
Salaries — plače	927.82
Administration	1,610.00
Zarja — The Dawn	3,892.11
Withholding tax — davek	266.60
Convention exp.	256.80
Campaign awards — nagrade	312.00
Social Security	71.66
Gas & Electricity	25.91
Maintenance — čiščenje	25.00
Postage & Telephone	43.30
Loss on Bonds sold (Book value over par)	268.75
Total:	\$11,399.95

FANIKA HUMAR

ZARJA—THE DAWN

"FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART"

THE BOYS AND GIRLS

Two hundred years ago this month the Continental Congress resolved that the words "United States" replace the words "United Colonies." This same Congress chose Benjamin Franklin to represent our country in negotiations with France for a treaty of commerce.

This was the month also in which the American forces withdrew from New York and the city was occupied by the British under General Howe.

At his headquarters George Washington was discouraged and anxious. His men were deserting in companies. Those left were sick and underfed, discouraged, unpaid and almost half without shelter. "If he knew where the British were going to strike... he might be able to pull the army together to fight."

Colonel Knowlton explained the grim situation. "Washington feels that the fate of our cause lies in discovering the plans of the British. He needs definite information as to where and when they plan to attack, the number of British soldiers, the amount of supplies of guns and ammunition... He asks that someone volunteer for the service."

Captain Nathan Hale was the volunteer who felt he was called to serve in this manner and the reason he was put here. "I've never done anything that was worth much in the world, and I've always longed to do something worthy."

Disguised as a Dutch schoolmaster, Nathan visited enemy camps on Long Island and in New York. He made rough drawings of fortifications and obtained all the information Washington wanted. On the night of September 21, Hale was captured and sentenced to be hanged. Now he was at the end of a life with which he hoped to do much, a life in which no "great things" had been accomplished, a life that was ending shamefully.

Of Puritan parentage Nathan Hale was born June 6, 1755 in Coventry, Conn. North America then consisted of thirteen English colonies with a population of one and half million. The French and Indian War was in its second year. Nathan grew up on his father's farm and entered Yale College in 1769. Four years later he graduated with highest honors in the classics and was cited with more honors than any other member of his class. About the time of the Boston Tea Party and the First Continental Congress, Nathan taught school in East Haddam and New London.

He taught the children they were

living in stirring times and must develop into men and women strong enough to meet the challenge of their age. His boys were a close-knit band of patriots with a common zeal for justice to the Colonies. Nathan was so enthused with the Colonists cause that soon after the battle at Lexington, Mass., he resigned his teaching position and joined Washington's army, becoming a Captain in the Revolutionary Army in 1775.

Now as he awaited death 21-year old Nathan did not know his death would arouse and inspire the American troops, uniting them as nothing else could have done. He rendered a service to his country as he always longed to render and he had not died in vain.

Facing death with a courage that has made him one of his country's noblest heroes, he straightened his shoulders, lifted his head and looked out over the crowd. With a voice clear and firm, Nathan spoke these inspiring words: **I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country.**

Your friend,
REGINA

JOLIET'S KAZOO BAND



COLONIAL EDUCATION

Because paper was scarce in the colonies, some little boys and girls studied from "horn books." A hornbook was a flat board with a handle. The simple lesson was printed on paper and pasted to the board, then protected by a thin piece of clear horn. As you work this puzzle, you will find out other things about education in colonial America.

Answer on second page cover

DOWN

- Friendship
- Children read Bible
- _____
- ABC's
- Some wealthy girls were taught _____
- Mathematics
- Girls made samplers to show how well they had learned to _____

ACROSS

- The first of the three R's
- It was used as a pen
- A first reading book
- Instruct
- Girls needed to know how to behave properly. They were taught good _____
- Some boys became apprentices to learn a craft or _____

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