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Successful Subscriber Campaign

The June campaign to sign up 35 NEW subscribers to the American Home newspaper was a complete success. As of June 30th, exactly 35 people signed up to receive the paper for the first time for one year plus three more came in a few days later, bringing the total to 38. Thanks to the anonymous American Home benefactor who paid for half the subscription cost of \$17.50 for each of the NEW subscribers.

Korotan Picnic Features Guests from Stajerska and Gorenjska

Pleasant company, the beauty of nature, floral and pine scent, delicious food, refreshing drinks, a charming sunset, an enchanting star-and-moonlit sky, Slovenian dialogue and song, lively and soothing music, the rhythm of dancing couples, the happy disposition of the Slovenians, new acquaintances, the warm embrace of faithful friends, a silent prayer of gratitude for all these gifts – what else does one need for a most enjoyable experience?

All of this awaits you at Korotan's picnic on Saturday, August 10, at Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, OH.

Refreshments will be available from early afternoon, and dinners will be served from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Your choice is steak or breaded pork.

Guest appearances of singing group Liguster, quartet Vita along with ansambel Storzic, from Slovenija, will be at the picnic, as bonus. We sincerely hope to see you there.

--The Committee



Zeke and Charlie and Friends premiere their new CD "Just a Jolly Group from Cleveland" at Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, Ohio during the St. Vitus Parish picnic on Sunday, July 21. All proceeds from sales of the CD are donated to the parish. Left to right are Steve Valencic, Frank Okicki, Tony Spendal, Mark Habat, Ed Vertovsnik, Frank Zitko, Don Slapnik, Charlie Vrtovsnik, Marty Sintic. Dedicated to the memory of Frank A. Zitko.

(Photo by TONY GRDINA)

Jamaican Sprinter Competes for Slovenia

Merlene Ottey, the legendary sprinter, has been cleared to compete for Slovenia.

IAAF General Secretary Istvan Gyulai said "I can confirm that the IAAF has just received the official letter of clearance from the Jamaican Amateur Athletic Association." Under IAAF rules, an athlete who changes nationality must wait three years before competing for a new country, or just 1 year if both parties agrees.

Merlene last competed for Jamaica at the 2000 Sydney Olympics.

Ottey has lived in the Slovenian capital of Ljubljana since 1998 and was granted Slovenian citizenship on May 7.

"I am very happy to have found a new home in Europe," said Ottey. "I have been living in Europe for more than 10 years and decided that Slovenia is the right place for me. This is a small place like Jamaica and I like the lifestyle here."

Thanks to **Joel Arko** of Cleveland, for this article.

IT'S COOL TO BE
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Pilgrimage to Lemont

The United Altar and Rosary Societies of St. Mary's and St. Vitus cordially invite you to join us on our annual pilgrimage to Lemont, Illinois the weekend of August 10-11.

Join us for a weekend of spiritual growth and unity in prayer for our families, parishes, the missions, and increased respect for life, vocations, and our nation.

The itinerary is as follows: We will depart from Euclid City Hall at 6:30 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 10. The bus will be at Sheliga Drug on St. Clair at 6:45 a.m.

Stations of the Cross will be held at 5 p.m. There will be a Mass followed by a candle-light procession along with the recitation of the rosary, which will be followed by the sung litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

On Sunday morning there will be two Masses, one at 7 a.m. and one at 11 a.m. At 2:30 p.m. there will again be the sung litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary with Benediction.

The cost of the trip is \$90 which includes room and board; -- meals are included.

Interested people are asked to make reservations as soon as possible. Call me at 731-5827. Or write me at 24364 Garden Drive #1303, Euclid, OH 44123. Reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Make your reservations now. I look forward to hearing from you.

You can also make reservations by calling Ivanka Matic at 481-1514, Julka Smole, 391-6547 or Marica Lavrishia at 481-3768.

--Kristi Nemeec

Baraga's Corner

Shooting perilous river rapids in a fragile canoe, entering dreary swamps, and trudging the frozen wilderness, this sensitive and cultured priest (Father Frederic Baraga) did it while seeking the souls of this abandoned people (Ojibwa Indians).

Directions to Slovenska Pristava

Take I-90 East to the Geneva exit, Rt. 534. Turn right on 534 to So. River Road. Turn right and stay on So. River about one mile to Brandt Road. Turn right on Brandt. Slovenska Pristava is at the end of the road.



On May 5 Rebecca Ann Zakelj graduated *magna cum laude* from the University of Dayton where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in biology. Her extracurricular activities included serving as an officer of the pre-health honor society Alpha Epsilon Delta, and volunteering at area hospitals as well as Habitat for Humanity. In September she will attend the Ohio State University College of Dentistry. Becky's family, John, Ann and Chris Zakelj of Willoughby Hills, along with her extended family and friends, offer her their warmest congratulations on an exemplary college career and wish her success in her future studies!

The game of Jumble

by RUDY FLIS

Each morning in our *Cleveland Plain Dealer* newspaper on the last page of the "intellectual" section (funnies) is a word game titled "Jumble." Sometimes it's easy and sometimes it is extremely difficult to decipher mixed letters of the alphabet to form the correct word.

Example from today's game. First word "tyrid." That was easy. The word "dirty" comes from it. The next word had me going "alaft. A flat - no. Talfa sounded pretty good, but I think that word is not yet invented or whatever you do to get a new word. Then I thought it had to be an Arabic word or a word used by the Arabs and Americans. My quick mind had it. Fatal. But what does it mean? Fa-

tal. I went to my dictionary to find out. I'm doing this in my mind and couldn't believe fatal didn't jump out. Perhaps another cup of delicious coffee would help.

But at times I am beyond help. There are some mornings I am unable to decipher even one single word of "Jumble" confusion. I am grateful to our Lord I forget the Jumble mess during the day. It is totally out of my mind because I can't remember the goofy words to be unscrambled.

When I enter our home in the evening, I passionately caress my wife Therese and whisper in her ear, "Did you decipher the "Jumble" words?"

Her answer has much to do on how my day turns out. If her day was rough, it stays a "Jumble."

100 WORDS MORE OR LESS

By John Mercina

U.S. FIGHTING SHIP NAMED AFTER A SLOVENIAN (Found on the internet in the Dictionary of American Naval Fighting Ships" (1970)

"Milton Frank Pavlic, born in Trieste, Italy, 27 December 1909, was appointed Midshipman 25 June 1928, and commissioned Ensign 2 June 1932, and Lieutenant Commander 15 June 1942. He served on battleship New York and various other ships. He served aboard battleship South Dakota and fought in the Santa Cruz Islands and at Guadalcanal. In the fierce naval battle off Guadalcanal early on 15 November, 1942, South Dakota's task force engaged a force of Japanese warships and was badly damaged in the action. Lt. Comdr. Pavlic died in the battle and posthumously was awarded the Purple Heart Medal."

"A high-speed transport ship, (APD-70) named U.S.S. PAVLIC, to honor Milton Frank Pavlic, was launched 18 December 1943. It was sponsored by Mrs. Milton F. Pavlic. During 1945, this ship was stationed on the picket line off Okinawa fighting off several raids and performing rescue work. The ship continued to serve in the Pacific war zone. On 15 April 1946, PAVLIC sailed for the U.S. and after overhaul at the Philadelphia and Charleston naval shipyards, was towed to Green Cove Springs, Fla., where she was decommissioned 15 November 1946. On July 1, 1968, the ship was sold for scrap to North American Smelting Company."

(Any Slovenians out there that served aboard U.S.S. Pavlic? Please contact JM)

Comments: John Mercina, P.O. Box 40352, Bay Village, Ohio 44140

Choose the life that is most useful, and habit will make it the most agreeable. — Francis Bacon

Mlakar Marches Down Memory Lane in Germany

by RAY MŁAKAR

Joke time... yippee. It seems that there once was an Irish potato that fell in love with an Idaho potato. They married and put down their roots and soon had a little sweet potato. The sweet potato grew up and fell in love with a newscaster. She wanted to marry him, but her parents objected, saying no daughter of theirs was going to marry a "common tater."

Well, back to the fatherland. With a busy schedule in the supply room and doing my share of buying and selling, time went by quickly. One of my buddies that I kept close contact with was the Happy Little Italian Frank Saratore from New York. I don't know what was more profound, his Italian dialect or his New York accent. We were close friends and being that he was the mail clerk, I never had to stand in line for mail call, for Frank always carried my incoming mail in his back pocket and would always pass it along to me in chow line or whenever he ran into me in the hallways.

Winter was coming and Frank says, "Ray, how about you and I taking a furlough to Paris, France over the Christmas holidays." "Fine," I said, "but I'll have to convert some of my marks into script to get enough money to go." Going to France was exciting for we would be going by train, a real train, not cattle cars which would be a treat for me. That per-

haps was the best furlough we had.

We got to Paris on the morning of Christmas Eve and Frank says, "Let's go to Notre Dame Cathedral for Midnight Mass." Great, I said and I think that everyone in the entire country of France decided to go to Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve at Notre Dame.

We got to the cathedral early, approximately 11:15 p.m.. We were left outside and only by jumping up and down could we possibly get a glimpse of the main altar. The singing in French was out of this world. Silent Night, Holy Night, for this was truly the day the Lord hath made. I was hoping to receive Holy Communion, but that was a far-fetched dream. Soon it was 1:30 in the morning and I said, "Frank, ain't this Mass coming to an end yet?" I don't know what he said, but they were still singing in the church. A Frenchman next to us heard my remark and said, "The main Midnight Mass ended a long time ago, but Masses continue throughout the night. This is the starting of the third Mass."

Well, nobody was moving out of the church. Came 2 a.m. we felt we heard enough Masses, and went back to the hotel. We lived there like kings, compared to the Army barracks.

The next day, Christmas, I said to Frank that I liked Italian spaghetti and he said, "Have no fear; we will find a nice restaurant." He said

French and Italian were similar languages and he would speak to the waiter and tell him we wanted Italian spaghetti.

Well, we found a nice basement restaurant hide-away and Frank proceeded to speak to the waiter in Italian, saying we wanted Italian spaghetti. That in itself would have been a miracle trying to get an Italian spaghetti dinner in the heart of Paris. But Frank and the waiter were shooting the breeze back and forth. Frank in Italian and the waiter in French.

Frank smiled and said, "Ray, have no fear when Frank is near. I think I got it across to the waiter that we wanted Italian spaghetti." Gosh, I could hardly wait. I guess I spoke too soon in thanking God for having Frank along thinking he really knew how to get it across to the French waiter that we wanted Italian spaghetti. Soon the salad came and the French bread. Hmm, looks good so far; guess Frank was right, the Italian language and French are similar. Then came the main course.

At seeing the waiter take the chrome dish cover off the main dish, I was ready to crown Frank for there was a plate of onions and calves liver. I remarked, "Frank you no good dirty rotten ???; does this look like spaghetti?" I never did like liver to begin with, but being that I was hungry, I closed my eyes and pretended it was

spaghetti; and it took a lot of pretending. I said, "Frank, from now on please don't order any more food using your so-called Italian language. Let's try to order the best we can in English; maybe we can draw pictures of what we want." Frank sat quietly without a further word in either English, Italian, or German.

We had a great time in taking in all the sights, the Eiffel Tower and the beautiful streets of Paris. Late that night, Frank says, "Let's try to get tickets to the Follies." Little did we know that you had to get tickets far in advance, but for once luck was on our side. ...

Sorry, my paper is running out of space so you will have to wait until next time to hear about the Follies. Ray thought he had died and gone to heaven. Maybe we did not end up with spaghetti, but we were going to the follies. George Washington, eat your heart out.

Time to close, for I promised Jim Debevec I would try to keep my columns shorter. Till the next time May the Good Lord bless and watch over you. I don't know how they say good night in French, so I'll say it in English and Slovenian — Good Night — *Locka noč*.

Mike Podboy Honored

Polka promoter Mike Podboy will be honored at the Slovenian Society Home (Recher Ave., Euclid, OH) on Sunday, August 18 from 4 to 9 p.m.

Music will be provided by bands from Minnesota, Canada, and local favorites. Admission \$6 in advance and \$7 at door. Call (216) 383-8601 for further information.

All proceeds will benefit Slovenian Society Hall in Euclid.

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Life in the Refugee Camps

by ANTON ZAKELJ,
translated and edited
by JOHN ZAKELJ

(Continued from last week)

Wednesday, Nov. 14, 1945

This afternoon, we went to see a movie about the Kroll circus. This was the first time they showed a movie we liked.

In the evening, we listened to a lecture by Dr. Hanzelic about education and upbringing.

Thursday, Nov. 15, 1945

Mici made a pattern for bobbin lacemaking. I used that to make 3 copies. Cilka is beginning to make some lace, using the thread I got from Mittoni (a merchant in town) a couple of weeks ago.

This afternoon and evening, Dr. Hanzelic continued with his lecture regarding education and upbringing. This led to a lively debate in our room. Mire praised the lecture, especially the part about a religious upbringing, but Andrej and Rafael disagreed.

Friday, Nov. 16, 1945

This morning UNRRA gave us some tobacco ration cards and then two blankets each for Cilka, Mici and me.

Saturday, Nov. 17, 1945

This morning I delivered 25 pieces of bobbin lace to Mittoni. He paid me 67 RM, 2.5 kilos of peas, 4 spools of thread and some pins which Cilka and Mici will use to make more lace. Everyone was happy.

I have experience and training as a business manager, so it works well if I handle the business duties while Mici and Cilka do the lacemaking. (In a few months, our lacemaking business grew to the point where we had 15 women making lace, and I was selling everything they made. My brother Joze helped with the designs and with a formula to calculate the value of each piece based on the time required to produce it.)

We listened to the final lecture by Dr. Hanzelic.

Sunday, Nov. 18, 1945

We went to Masses at 7

and 9 a.m. In the afternoon a large group of us went up into the woods and cut some trees for firewood. We saw three deer and a rabbit.

In the evening we went to the nearby Murdorf camp, where we watched the Ukrainians perform a concert of song and dance. A heavy frost outside turned everything white.

Monday, Nov. 19, 1945

This afternoon Tone Trcek left quietly to return back home to Slovenia. A number of others will soon follow him. My friend Janez Pesek really wanted to go back home, but he couldn't make up his mind. I said to him, "If you really want to go, just go! Here you will continue to agonize about a decision." He replied, "OK, I'll go!"

This evening we listened to a concert in the camp's assembly room. Dr. Suhadolc arrived with news from Ljubljana about my brothers: Stanko is in Ljubljana, Janko is alive, Vlado is working in a hospital, Ciril is working as an attorney at the cooperative union.

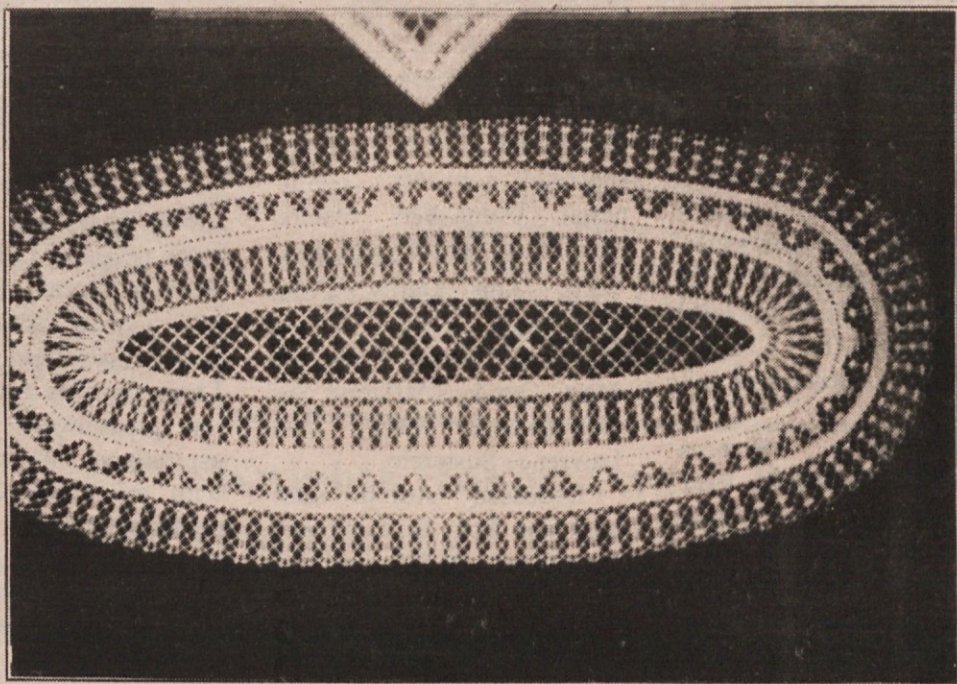
Tuesday, Nov. 20, 1945

I went to Mittoni's to get something special for my sister Mici's birthday, but all they had was 3 spools of thread. You can't even buy biscuits anywhere.

(To Be Continued)

Nothing is so strong as gentleness, and nothing is so gentle as real strength.

—Ralph Sockman



This is an example of the bobbin lace we made in the refugee camp. I drew some of the designs myself. My fiancée Cilka and sister Mici were among the first to begin making lace in our camp, and eventually we had 15 women making lace, which we then sold in the nearby towns.

St. Mary's Seniors Meet

St. Mary's Seniors (Collinwood) will hold their potluck picnic on Tuesday, Aug. 6th at noon at Richmond Hts. Park, off Highland Road.

Bring your own beverage and potluck food to share or make a money donation. The club supplies the hamburgers and hot dogs.

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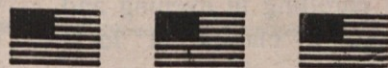
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4 Legacy of Religious from St. Lawrence

by JOSEPH T. SNYDER

Because of the fervent example set forth through the efforts of the fine Sisters and Priests who graced St. Lawrence Parish, many vocations to the priesthood and sisterhood were engendered. It all started in 1910, when Josephine Godec (Sr. Charles) entered the Adrian Dominican Convent.

Subsequently, Frances Shuster (Sr. Jordan) in 1911 - Anna Sadar (Sr. Regina Clare) in 1912 - Mary Miklavcic (Sr. Stephen) and Frances Suhadolnik (Sr. Gonsalva) in 1920 left home for the Dominican Order. In 1923, Anna Kosak, Mary Fink, and Rose Lekan became Sr. Antoinette, Sr. Joseph Marie, and Sr. Rose Pauline. In 1925 Dorothy Pucell left home and family to become Sr. Matthew Marie. She was an exceptional educator, and my seventh grade teacher, who later became one of the principals at St. Lawrence.

In 1926 Gabriel Rus, Joseph Lekan, John Perko and Joseph Mervar joined the Brothers of Mary at Dayton, Ohio. In 1928 Frank Perko left for Dayton to become a Brother of Mary. In 1929 two seminarians were Ludwig Kuznik and Joseph Shuster. In 1934 Fr. Kuznik was the first son of the parish to be ordained. Fr. Joseph Shuster was ordained in 1936. Sadly, both of them died in 1937. In 1939 Rev. Gabriel Rus was ordained in Fribourg, Switzerland and said his First Mass in St. Lawrence Church.

In 1940 Fr. Joseph Lekan was ordained a priest, and Anne Marie Snyder (Sr. John Vianney) entered the convent in Adrian, Michigan. Josephine Lindic and Josephine Hrvatin entered the Franciscan convent at Lemont, Illinois. In 1941 Fr. Lekan was ordained at Fribourg, Switzerland and offered his First Solemn Mass at St. Lawrence on Aug. 3rd.

The basic religious training came from a fervent prayer life and a work ethic that required sacrifice and zeal. Sadar joined the Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Mark, whose motherhouse is on Chardon Rd. in Euclid, Ohio. Josephine Lekan (Sr. Miriam Joseph) became a postulant at Adrian, Michigan. In 1946, Miss Dorothy Tekaucic entered the convent at Adrian, Mich. In 1949, Miss Edith Merhar joined the Sisters of Charity at Cincinnati, Ohio, and Raymond Miklich left home to join the Society of Mary at Dayton, Ohio.

From my graduating class of 1950, Mary Ann Zakrajsek (Sr. Marian Richard)

finished 8th grade then entered the convent in Adrian and was professed in 1952. Dolores Strainer and Dolores Sever also went to their respective convents. Additional Dominican Sisters from St. Lawrence were: Srs.

Mary Ann Dardy (John Margerite), Mary Hrovat (Josephus Marie), Catherine Mary Ovnik, Marianne Supan (August Mary), Joan Lawrence Sustercic.

Deceased Adrian Dominicans from St. Lawrence were: Srs. Mary Anthony Gliha, Marie Angelica Jakovich, Marie Agnita Kenik, Mary Malley (Josephine Therese) Clare Genevieve Mauer, Albina Muhl (our long-time parish administrator until 2002), Josephine Marie Papez, and Alice Marie Suster (Sr. Bertilda).

Some names that we recall out of the past who taught at St. Lawrence were: Sr. Louise Marie Stepanek, who is now celebrating her 103rd birthday anniversary, Sr. Robert Joseph, Sr. Marie Sylvester, Sr. Assisium, Sr. Agnes Marie, Sr. Reginald, Sr. Ann James, Sr. Mary Elizabeth, and about 60 others.

What we owe the dedicated sisters, priests and later lay teachers who participated in the education of the children of St. Lawrence is encyclopedic. When they were required to handle class sizes of 50 to 60 active elementary school children year in and year out is almost unbelievable if not heroic by today's standards, or any standards.

Yes, we took their efforts for granted and even recall many of the idiosyncrasies that they exhibited. Little did we understand that all of these sisters were also advancing their own education by enrolling in evening and weekend classes at local colleges, then summer school at Siena University in Adrian or to additional schools for higher education.

We did not realize or recognize that some of the sisters were suffering from their own illnesses and needed nursing care which they received from their own in the convent. Some sisters taught piano or organ lessons after school. During their summer vacations many nuns participated in taking parish census around the country, attending their annual retreats, taught Catechism in remote parts of this country, and elsewhere, then spent the last week or so preparing for their next assignments, then arranging their classrooms for another avalanche of fresh students. One week every three years was made available for a vacation with their families for about 12

hours per day:

St. Lawrence was blessed to have fostered so many vocations when the needs of the church required extraordinary effort for God's greater honor and glory. The basic religious training came from a fervent prayer life and a work ethic that required sacrifice and zeal. Large families that provided the groundwork for these aspirations were coupled with the splendid example demonstrated by our religious and clergy at our parish. This was a hallmark of the spirit of St. Lawrence which we will always remember and love.



Rare Portrait

(NAPS)—A unique, almost life-size painting of one of the 20th century's most revered saints now graces the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center's Chapel in Washington, D.C. A portrait of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, known as the Little Flower, is expected to attract visitors from around the world.



Rich in symbolism, this rare portrait of a 20th-century saint can be seen at the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center—a unique museum in Washington, D.C.

Pope Pius XI canonized Thérèse, a modern-day mystic, only 28 years after her death. In 1997, Pope John Paul II declared her a Doctor of the Church. St. Thérèse, along with St. Catherine of Siena and St. Teresa of Avila, are the only women with that distinction. Her spiritual autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*, inspired people everywhere to attain great spiritual heights through simplicity and performing their ordinary duties of daily life.

Carmelite nuns of Philadelphia donated the prized portrait, which was painted by St. Thérèse's sister Celine, who was also a Carmelite nun.

Cultural Center visitors can also enjoy state-of-the-art interactive galleries, art exhibits and cultural programs. For information call 202-635-5400 or visit www.jp2cc.org.

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Coming Events

Saturday, Aug. 3

Annual Slovenska Pristava Campers Steak or Chicken Dinner from 6 - 8 p.m. Steak: \$15, chicken: \$12. Music - Advance tickets call (216) 529-0579 or (440) 942-4688.

Sunday, Aug. 4

Picnic by retirees of Slovenska Pristava.

Friday, Aug. 9

Concert singing group Liguster and quartet Vita (from Maribor, Slovenia) in St. Mary's Church in Collinwood at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 10

Korotan picnic at Slovenska Pristava with special guests student singing group Liguster, quartet Vita and ansambel Storzic from Maribor. Dinner served between 5 and 7 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 11

Primorski Club picnic at Slovenska Pristava.

Sunday, Aug. 11

Singing group Liguster and Quartet Vita will sing at 10:30 a.m. Mass in St. Vitus Church, Lausche Avenue in Cleveland.

Sat., Sun., Aug. 17-18

St. Clair Rifle and Hunting Club, 6599 Ravenna Rd., Concord, OH, Canadian Challenge Weekend. Dinner Saturday night.

Sunday, Aug. 18

St. Mary's (Collinwood) picnic at Slovenska Pristava.

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Polka promoter Mike Podboy honored at Slovenian Society Home (Recher Ave.) 4 to 9 p.m. Music by bands from Minn., Canada and local favorites. \$7 at door. Call (216) 383-8601 for further information.

Sunday, Aug. 18

Second Picnic sponsored by Slovenian Cultural Society at Triglav Park in Wind Lake, WI.

Sunday, Aug. 25

Picnic at SNPJ Farm Heath Rd., Kirtland sponsored by Lodge 158 Loyalties. Dinner served 1-3 p.m. Music by Eddie Rodick Band 3:30 - 7:30 p.m. Annual event where George Knaus treats everyone to a liquid refreshment at designated time. For information call Pat Nevar (216) 481-0163.

Wed., Aug. 28

Fed. of Amer. Slov. Sr. Citizens Annual Picnic at SNPJ Farm on Heath Rd. Dinner served 1 p.m., music by Frank Moravsik 2:30 - 5:30. Dinner-dance \$11; admission only \$4. Tickets sold by all clubs or call (216) 481-0163 or (440) 943-3784.

Friday, Aug. 30

Concert Igor and Zlati Zvoki from Slovenia at Slovenian National Home on St. Clair, Cleveland.

Sunday, Sept. 1

Slovenska Pristava picnic (Zlati Zvoki).

Sunday, Sept. 1

St. Jude Parish, Elyria, Ohio (Fr. Frank Kosem, pastor), annual Festival and chicken Bar-B-Q dinner from 12 noon until 9 p.m. Activities for all ages and plenty of food.

Sunday, Sept. 8

St. Vitus Altar Society dinner.

Sunday, Sept. 15

Wine festival (Veseli Godci Ansambel) at Slovenska Pristava.

Saturday, Sept. 21

Bishop Baraga Association Slovenian Mass at St. Ignatius Church in Houghton, MI, 7 p.m. with reception in church hall.

Sunday, Sept. 22

Bishop Baraga Association Mass, 4 p.m. at St. Ignatius Church in Houghton, Mich. Banquet after Mass at MTU University Center, Memorial Union Ballroom, 1400 Townsend Dr., Houghton.

Sunday, Sept. 22

St. Lawrence Church, 3547 E. 80th St., Newburgh, Cleveland, concludes 100th year anniversary with Mass celebrated by Bishop Anthony Pilla, Bishop A. Edward Pevec, and Bishop Roger Gries. A dinner follows at Slovenian National Home on E. 80th St. For information call parish office at (216) 341-0496.

Sunday, Sept. 22

Wine Festival sponsored by Slovenian Cultural Society at Triglav Park in Wind Lake, WI.

Saturday, Sept. 28

St. Clair Rifle and Hunting Club, 6599 Ravenna Rd., Concord, OH, Clambake on club grounds. All welcome.

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Rev. Vic Cimperman and his sister Mary celebrated their 85th and 90th birthdays respectively at the July 11th St. Vitus Alumni meeting. (Photo by TONY GRDINA)

St. Vitus Alumni Names Honorees

So... you just couldn't make the meeting July 11. Well, you missed a good one.

It was the Fourth of July all over again. The tables were covered in red, white, and blue cloths. Josie Perpar's festive centerpieces: young Uncle Sam dressed in our flag's color tux surrounded by creations (coffee mugs embellished with a replica of our country's flag... filled with "goodies" created and donated by Albina Pozelnik.) Thank you dear ladies for all that you do to make our meetings special.

A short but important business meeting was held. Nine scholarships were awarded to this year's graduates who will be attending Catholic high schools. Congratulations to the recipients. We wish them good luck as they pursue their futures.

The main order of the day... the alumni honorees for the year 2002 was on the agenda. In order to be considered for the honor a letter of recommendation must be

sent to the Nominating Committee. They are not just chosen by the membership or picked out of a hat. The party under consideration must also be a "paid-up" member of the St. Vitus Alumni.

This year's honorees are: **Stane Kuhar**, Class of '68, **F. Raymond Gobec**, Class of '42, and posthumously **Dr. Charles Centa**. Look for more information regarding these fine personalities in the American Home prior to the Honoree Day, Oct. 27.

Of course, no alumni meeting ends there. A table of "to die for" mouthwatering eatables completed the evening. Not to forget the 'songfest' in honor of our birthday celebrants, Father Vic Cimperman 85 and his sister Mary, 90. This brought our meeting to a close. Yes, you missed all of this.

Reserve the last Sunday in October, Mass at high noon, with reception to follow. It will be an exciting, memorable event.

Death Notices

VINCE BASNIK

Vince Basnik was born March 26, 1913. He passed away on July 4, 2002 at the age of 89.

Mr. Basnik was a resident of the St. Clair Slovenian neighborhood for 58 years. He came to the United States in 1921 from Dolenja vas pri Ribnica, Slovenia. The family lived on East 66th Street and were members of St. Vitus parish.

His parents were Anton and Mary Zbasnik. Vince had one brother, Tony, who passed away in 1989.

In the late 1930's they moved to 6613 Schaefer Avenue where Vince lived until 1979 when he moved to Strongsville.

Vince was married to Mildred (Jonas) for 55 years. They had one son, Jim, and two granddaughters. Mildred passed away in 1999.

Vince had many jobs while growing up in the St. Clair area: selling newspapers on the corner of East 55th and St. Clair, shining shoes in a little shop near West 117th and Detroit, as a tailor and clothes presser with his brother in a business they started in the basement of the family home, assembling Model A auto bodies for the Ford Motor Company, several traveling sales jobs, and finally working for Strong Carlisle & Hammond.

In 1946 he started two businesses: The Vince Basnik Company, and Edgewater Tool & Die. He sold the later business in the early 1950's but the Vince Basnik Company grew and thrives today under the leadership of Jim Basnik.

Vince was a typical example of the Slovenian spirit of his generation. Many residents of the St. Clair area came to this country with very little but were excellent citizens of their new homeland and in time they became very successful through hard work, perseverance, and Godly conservation values.

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The event will take place on Monday, Sept. 9 at Executive Caterers at Landerhaven, 6111 Landerhaven Drive, Mayfield Heights, Ohio. Socializing at 11 a.m., with lunch being served promptly at noon.

Father Hyclak is executive director of Saint Joseph Christian Life Center. Father McNulty is pastor of St. Augustine Church and is widely known for his work with the hunger center and people with disabilities.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$25 each. Tables of 10: \$250.

For reservations call Richard J. Mott at (216) 531-4556.

In Loving Memory

Of the 13th Anniversary



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Who Died Aug. 5, 1989

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Celebrate The Season

Delicious Ways To Cool Off During Warm Days

(NAPS)—Warm weather offers many delicious opportunities for easy entertaining—and planning great outdoor get-togethers may be even easier with some help from the experts.

To help celebrate the season and make your next party more enjoyable, Michele McAdoo of the Kraft Kitchens shares her favorite summer desserts and provides some helpful tips:

- Plan a mix of hot and cold foods. Prepare the cold foods ahead of time and store in the fridge.

- For a fun change, try a complete grilled menu—from appetizer to dessert.

- Sit salads in big bowls of ice cubes to keep them cool.

- To quench everybody's thirst, count on about two non-alcoholic drinks or one alcoholic drink per person during the first hour of your get-together, and then one beverage each hour thereafter.

- Don't skip dessert! Use your freezer instead of your oven in warm weather. Frozen desserts are a delicious way to make the most of seasonal bounty, to celebrate special occasions and to cool off after a hot grilled meal.

McAdoo's favorite frozen treats use seasonal fruit, cream cheese and whipped topping to satisfy summer cravings.

To put your own creative twist on these recipes, McAdoo encourages you to use your favorite summer fruits, and different flavors of frozen juice concentrate, such as lime, lemonade, fruit punch or grape.



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1 tub (16 oz.) COOL WHIP Whipped Topping, thawed

PRESS crushed cookies onto bottom of 9-in. square pan lined with foil.

PLACE cream cheese and juice concentrate in blender or food processor container; cover. Blend on high speed until smooth. Pour into large bowl. Add whipped topping; stir with wire whisk until blended.

POUR over crust. Freeze until firm, about 4 hr. Remove 15 min. before serving. Serve with fresh fruit, if desired.

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Slovenian Swimmer Entire Length of Mississippi River

Lake Itasca and the Gulf of Mexico at Louisiana are about 1,600 miles apart. Going from one end of the Mississippi River to the other by car would take several days as you passed through eight states and burned several tanks of gasoline.

Martin Strel's trip won't be that simple. His journey will cover 2,340 miles, take 66 days and wind through 10 states, in addition to compiling an assortment of aches and pains along the way.

Strel, a 47-year-old marathon swimmer from Slovenia, embarked on his epic journey on Thursday, July 4th. His goal is to swim the entire length of the Mississippi River from its source in northern Minnesota to the Gulf of Mexico.

It has never been done. If he succeeds he will set the record for long-distance swimming, which he now holds. He swam Europe's 1,776-mile Danube River in 2000. He also holds the world's record for the longest non-stop swim 312 miles down the Danube. It took 84 hours and 10 minutes, according to the Guinness World Book of Records.

He plans to swim anywhere from 20 to 55 miles each day. He begins the day



about 9 a.m. and swims as long as it takes to reach his day's destination. He takes soup breaks at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m., and a pasta break at 1:30 p.m.

A major concern is pollution. Major cities, farms and factories that line the Mississippi dump pollutants into the water. The area of Baton Rouge is highly industrialized and has the highest concentration of pollution.

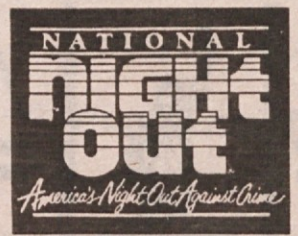
The currents of the Lower Mississippi could provide relief for his body as they maintain a swift flow which will push him downstream. It could also be hazardous, however, pushing him off course. He must also be weary at Baton Rouge where numerous large ocean-going ships could be a problem.

Martin Strel was born on Oct. 1, 1954 in Novo Mesto. He comes from the old town of Mokronog in the region of Slovenia called Dolenjska. He is educated as a musician.

Mr. Strel hopes to complete his 66-day journey before Sept. 11, the day of the terrorist attacks.



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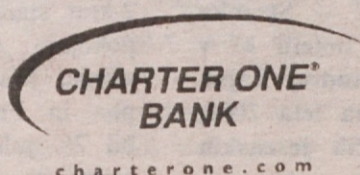
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Ljubljana – Novembra bodo članice zveze NATO v Pragi odločale, katere države bi povabile k zavezništvu. Kot kaže, se želijo pred tem prepričati o družbenih razmerah v proslkah. Tako v Sloveniji poteka javnomnenjska raziskava o odnosu do NATO, ki jo za Američane opravlja podjetje RM Plus, porabnik rezultatov pa bo očitno NATO ali ameriška administracija.

Branko Žunder, direktor podjetja RM Plus iz Maribora, nam je povedal, da je naročnik raziskave ameriško podjetje D3 Systems, Inc. iz Virginije. "Nimamo informacij, kdo je končni naročnik raziskave, kolikor so nam povedali, pa bo podatke uporabljalo več institucij," pravi Žunder, ki zatrjuje, da je namen raziskave dobiti neodvisen vir informacij o mnenjih prebivalstva in javnomnenjskih voditeljev. Raziskava namreč zajema vzorec 1300 prebivalcev Slovenije, poleg tega pa so vprašalnike poslali še poslancem, članom vodstev največjih slovenskih podjetij, višjim predstavnikom zunanjega, obrambnega in gospodarskega ministristva, višjim častnikom in civilnim osebam, zaposlenim v Slovenski vojski, ter nekaterim novinarjem.

Seznam anketirancev je nadvse zanimiv, zanimiva pa so tudi vprašanja, ki zanimajo ameriškega naročnika raziskave. Anketa se začne z vprašanjem: "Ali po vašem mnenju gre do stvari v naši državi v pravo ali napačno smer?" Zatem mora anketiranec na sedemstopenjski lestvici podati pozitivno ali negativno mnenje o najvidnejših slovenskih politikih.

Sledijo vprašanja o zvezi NATO: ali bi podprli pošiljanje slovenskih vojakov v ob-

novljene spopade na Balkanu, na operacije v Afganistan in podobno. Pomenljivo vprašanje je, kaj naj Slovenija naredi, če jeseni ne bo povabljen v NATO; ali naj si še prizadeva za vstop ali ne. Američane zanima tudi odnos Slovencev do EU, presenetljiva pa so vprašanja o odnosu do Ciganov/Romov v naši državi, ter o Rusih, Židih in Američanih.

Žunder nam je pojasnil, da zadnja vprašanja niso nenavadna, če vemo, da se takšna anketa izvaja tudi v drugih proslkah za članstvo v NATO, kot so Bolgarija, Estonija, Litva, Latvija, Romunija in Slovaška. Tako se poročilo konča, s podpisom R.P.

Hrvaški konzulat v Kopru

Pretekli teden so častni konzul Hrvaške Božo Dimnik (70-letni zdravnik iz Ljubljane, ki je več kot 30 let živel v Švici) in predsednika parlamentarnih odborov za zunanjo politiko Hrvaške ter Slovenije Zdravko Tomac in Jelko Kacin prerezali trobojni trak ob odprtju častnega konzulata Hrvaške v Kopru. Tako ima Hrvaška poleg veleposlanstva v Ljubljani in konzulata v Mariboru zdaj že svojo tretjo postojanko v Sloveniji, odnosi med sosedama pa so vse bolj napeti.

Novi ruski veleposlanik v Sloveniji

Pretekli teden je predsedniku Slovenije Milanu Kučanu izročil poverilna pisma novi ruski veleposlanik v Sloveniji Vjačeslav I. Dolgov. Dolgov je star 65 let, doslej je bil veleposlanik v Belorusiji ter deloval v raznih drugih državah.

Novo stranko ustanovil ameriški državljani

Ameriški in slovenski državljani (prijavljen je v Kropi), znanstvenik Dušan Petrač, ki dela v ZDA v vesoljski agenciji NASA, je predsednik 1. 2000 ustanovljene Progresivne stranke, ki je zdaj registrirana na sodišču.

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

Pristavski upokojenci—

To nedeljo vas vabijo na vsakoletni piknik Pristavski upokojenci, seveda na SP. Vse podrobnosti najdete na str. 9.

Prikrajšani—

Zaradi obilice oglasov v angleškem delu je današnji slovenski del omejen na pet strani. Prihodnji teden pričakujemo običajnih osem.

Piknik Primorskega kluba—

Vsakoletni piknik Primorskega kluba bo v nedeljo, 11. avgusta, na Slovenski pristani. Ob 12h bo sv. maša. Okrepčila bodo na voljo od 1. pop. dalje. V popoldanskem času bodo nastopili gostje iz Slovenije, ki bodo ta konec tedna na obisku v Clevelandu. Vsi dobrodošli, pridite med prijazne Primorce in Primorke 11. avgusta na SP.

Novi grobovi

Raymond E. Debevc

Dne 29. julija je v Slovenskem domu za ostarele umrl 76 let stari Raymond E. Debevc, rojen v Clevelandu, mož Eleanor, roj. Petrovic, oče Daniela in Roberta, 1-krat stari oče, brat Louisa, zaposlen do svoje upokojitve pri AT&T, član AMLA, DNIJ pri Sv. Štefanu in družabnega kluba "Sharpies". Pogreb bo jutri, v petek, v oskrbi Cosicevega zavoda na 28890 Chardon Rd. s pogrebnimi obredi dop. ob 10h v cerkvi sv. Štefana bizantinskega reda na Lloyd Rd. v Euclidu s pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču. Ure krogeljenja bodo danes od 4. do 8. zvečer, parastas obred bo ob 7.30.

Mary M. Stergar

Umrila je Mary M. Stergar, hčerka Martina in Rose (r. Fink), oba že pokojna, sestra Anthonyja, Rose Gorzelanczyk in Martina (vsi že pok.). Pogreb je bil 31. julija v oskrbi Fortunovega zavoda s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Lovrenca in pokopom na Kalvarije pokopališču.

Matilda M. Erjavec

Dne 22. julija je umrla Matilda M. Erjavec, rojena Pograris, vdova po Franku, mati Franka in Frederica, 2-krat stara mati, sestra že pokojnih Anne Baitt, Edwarda, Mary Novinc, Josepha in Franka. Pogreb je bil 26. julija s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Felicite in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Veliko obetajoč koncert—

V petek, 9. avgusta, ste vabljeni na koncert vokalne skupine Liguster in kvartet Vita (oba iz Maribora), ki bo v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete. Pričel se bo ob 7.30 zvečer. Vstopnine ni, dobrodošli bodo prostovoljni prispevki.

Korotanova veselica—

V soboto, 10. avgusta, vas vabi pevski zbor Korotan na svojo vrtno veselico. Ta bo na Slovenski pristani in bo pričetek ob 5h popoldne, ko bo na voljo tudi večerja. Nastopili bodo gostje iz Slovenije. Gl. oglas na str. 9.

Spominski dar—

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V svojem članku v Ave Maria (str. 11, 12) sporoča p. Vendelin Špendov, da je bila slovenska radio oddaja v Chicagu ukinjena. Žal.

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Resnica našega življenja

*Iz govora dr. Tineta Velikonje
na slovesnosti na Lajšah*

Danes smo se zbrali, da bi se spomnili vseh Slovencev, ki so izgubili življenje v zvezi z 2. svetovno vojno, zaradi vsega torej, kar se je med njo in po njej dogajalo, zlasti tisto, kar je bilo v zvezi s takimi imenovanimi NOB, za kar si bom izposodil Župančičev verz, ravno to je on mislil, kar je povedal: "In jabolko zlato se je skotalilo v blato!"

Kmalu bo minilo 60 let, kar se je 2. svetovna vojna končala. Večina ljudi pri nas je prepričana, da nam ukvarjanje z njenimi posledicami krade preveč časa in ga zato zmanjšuje za bolj pomembne reči, za take, ki se tičejo našega vsakdanjega življenja. A krščanski človek je "človek za vse čase". Zanj življenje ni samo tisto, kar doživlja tukaj in zdaj, ampak se zaveda korenin, pogled pa upira tudi v dalj. S tem, da odpušča, ne pomeni, da pozablja. Zato smo danes tukaj, ne samo Primorci, ampak tudi drugi Slovenci iz vseh koncev naše države in iz zamejstva. Da obudimo spomin, da se predamo žalosti ob breznu, v katerem so obležali primorski domoljubi.

Primorsko, del slovenskega narodnega ozemlja, so zahodni zavezniki po 1. svetovni vojni zamešetarili in uporabili za judežve groše, s katerimi so poplačali italijansko udeležbo v vojni na protiaustrijski strani.

O kakem javnem političnem delu ni bilo govora od leta 1928. Politične organizacije pa so bile itak že prej prepovedane. Vse tri takratne politične struje: katoličani, liberalci in komunisti, so imele politične organizacije.

Takrat so bili Primorci enotni. Slabi dve leti kasneje pa so partizani tako rekoč pobili, oziroma je padlo v boju, preko sto črnovrhščanov, in je bilo Črna Vrha vsaj tretjino požganega.

Lajše so eno od treh slovenskih krajev, kjer je naravno, da razmišljamo o temelju slovenstva. Ti kraji so Kočevski Rog, Teharje in Lajše. Kakor so nekoč ljudje hodili na romarske kraje, da so razmišljali o sebi, o svoji usodi, pa tudi o skupni usodi, tako imamo danes Slovenci te tri kraje, kjer smo v prisotnosti trpljenja, ki izstopa skoraj iz vsega zgodovinskega izkustva, zato so to kraji, kjer naravno, duhovno zaživimo in razmišljamo o svojih temeljih.

Naše skupne slovenske stvari je treba postaviti na resnico. Kakšna pa je slovenska resnica: ta, da smo obstali, to je bistvo naše zgodovinske resnice, da smo

Franku in Tončki Urankar ter Vinku in Mary Vrhovnik za zlato poroko

Minilo je že pol stoletja,
ko sredi petja ste in cvetja
veselo pred oltar stopili
in si zvestobo obljudili.

Dve sestri ljubki sta izbrala
in prstan Tončki, Mary dala.
Čeprav bila je strma cesta,
so srca vsa ostala zvesta

In skupnost srečna in bogata,
ko zdaj pozdravlja parčka zlata:
Vrhovnika, Urankarja,
naša zlatoporočenca.

Kjer koli klicalo je delo,
zgrabili ste vsi veselo,
za vse se žrtvovali vedno
z ljubeznijo gorečo, vzgledno!

Hvaležna skupnost je, Pristava,
iz src nam topla vre zahvala
za porojene z žive vere
darove, žrtve tisočere.

Naj dobri Bog, ki zvesto vrača,
Vam dobra dela vsa poplača!
Bog živi Vas in Mati sveta
na mnoga zdrava, srečna leta!

*Vaši otroci, sorodniki in prijatelji
2002*

Upokojenci SP vabijo na piknik in na romanje

CLEVELAND, O. - Kakor smo že poročali, se bo naš piknik to nedeljo pričel s sv. mašo ob 12. uri opoldne na Slovenski pristavi, nato bo kosilo in zabava celo popoldne.

Vsi bodo lahko prišli na svoj račun: tarokisti, balincarji, plesalci in gledalci.

Na pikniku se boste lahko prijavi za romanje v Baragovo deželo, na vsakoletne Baragove dneve, ki bodo v soboto in nedeljo, 21. in 22. septembra v mestu Houghton, Michigan, 100 milj severozahodno od Marquettea.

Upokojeni župnik fare Marije Vnebovzete č.g. Victor Tomc je vsako leto organiziral romanje na Baragove dneve; ko je pa on omagal, smo se pri-

stavski upokojenci zavzeli, da še obdržimo vsakoletno romanje na Baragove dneve.

Pridružite se nam lahko tudi nečlani. Če pomislimo, kako se je škof Baraga trudil in žrtvoval za svoje Indijance, naj nam ne bo pretežko malo daljše potovanje. Avtobus bomo imeli zelo udoben in za drugo je lepo urejeno.

Podrobna navodila boste dobili pri tajnici ge. Martini Štepec na pikniku, ali pa jo lahko tudi kličete na tel. 440-994-0016. Tudi se morete obrniti na Franka Urankarja na 216-531-8982.

Bog nam daj lepo vreme na našem pikniku in čimvečjo udeležbo vseh naših članov in prijateljev. Za odbor:

U. F.

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obstali. Čeprav so nam delali krivico, čeprav so nas topli in zaničevali. Zakaj pa smo obstali? Zato, ker je slovenska duša eno. Organ te duše je jezik, ta jezik pa je en sam. Imamo različne načine govora, pestra narečja, različno oblikovanje tega jezika, a jezik, ki je organ duše, je en sam.

Kako to, da smo Slovenci ohranili skupni jezik, čeprav vse slovenske pokrajine geografsko silijo proč iz središča? To je zato, ker smo v zgodovini dobili povezujoče dejstvo: katoliško Cerkev. Po vseh slovenskih pokrajinah, čeprav so imele, kot rečeno, različno zgodovinsko in geografsko leto, se je govoril isti jezik, ki ga je uveljavila Cerkev.

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(Buletin fare sv. Vida)

S hvaležnostjo V SRCU

CLEVELAND, O. - "...se zahvaljujemo Gospodu, ki nam je prejšnjo nedeljo (tj. 21. jul., op. ur.) ta varen in lep poletni dan za naš piknik. Srečali smo se s številnimi nekdanjimi in sedanjimi farani, ki so prišli na Pristavo, da začno dan z mašo in so potem ostali tam ves popoldan.

Iskrena zahvala predsedniku pripravljalnega odbora za piknik, Frank Zitko, in poglavitnim sodelavcem v odboru: Joe Baskovic, Louise Strauss, Linda in Matt Plečnik, Joe Hocevar, Sue Zitko, Ivanka Matič, Nevla Avžlahar, s. Mary Avsec, Helena Perčič, Susan Rozman, Bernie Ovsenik, Janez Šemen in Tomaž Sršen, ter vsem mnogim pomočnikom.

Najlepša hvala članicam Oltarnega društva, ki so ocvrle krofe, in številnim farankam, ki so spekle pecivo za prodajo na našem pikniku; vsem, ki so darovali lepa darila za poseben srečolov; vsem mladim faranom, ki so pomagali pri pikniku, in tistim, ki so delali ves teden, da je bilo za piknik vse pripravljeno:

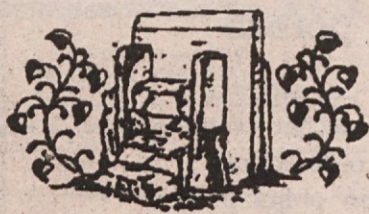
Matt Plečnik, Paul Lavriša, John Kirk, Marjan Perčič, Rudy Sterk in Joe Rozman, ki so pripeljali vse potrebno na Slovensko pristavo; faranom, ki so skrbeli za okrepčila, in tistim, ki so počistili prostore; vsem gospem, ki so kuhale in servirale hrano vso nedeljo; vsem, ki so delali na različnih stojnicah in prodajali srečke za različne dobitke, in vsem neimenovanim prostovoljnimi delavcem, brez katerih ne bi mogli imeti tako uspešnega piknika.

Čestitke vsem, ki so dobili denarne dobitke, in lepa hvala vsem, ki so srečke kupili; hvala tudi faranom, ki so pomagali pripraviti in dostaviti srečke faranom na domove v bližini cerkve in v predmestju. Posebna zahvala za oglaševanje na radiu in v časopisih.

Končno, naj se zahvalimo tudi vodstvu Pristave za vso naklonjenost in sodelovanje pri organizaciji našega farnega piknika.

Bog vas vse blagoslovi!"

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Nedeljo spoštujem. Če le možno, grem v cerkev

– III. del (konec) –

Kakšen pa je vaš odnos do splava? Se vam sedanja ureditev zdi ustrezna, je splav morda prelahko dostopen, ali bi bilo treba iz ustave črtati "sramotni 55. člen", kot terja nadškof Rode?

No, splav gledam zelo osebno. Odgovornost države in posameznika je tu zelo velika. Zakaj?

Pred desetimi leti je bilo v Sloveniji 27 ali 28 tisoč rojstev, zdaj jih je 17 oz. 18 tisoč. To je narodni vidik.

Drugi je eksistenčni. Predpostavljam, da je

marsikateri splav narejen iz materialne stiske. Hkrati Evropa ugotavlja, da bo v naslednjih 40 letih izgubila 60 milijonov ljudi in da bo aktivnega prebivalstva čedalje manj. Naša prihodnost pa je odvisna od naših otrok in vnukov. Gledano zelo egoistično bi vsi mi morali posvetiti temu socialnemu vidiku več pozornosti, tudi država.

Tretji vidik pri splavu je zdravstveni. Nimajo vse ženske enake možnosti roditi. So manj in bolj rizične nosečnosti.

Življenje smatram za sveto od njegovih začetkov do njegovega konca. Človek se loči od ostalih bitij; lahko ustvarja vrednostne sodbe, druga bitja jih ne morejo.

Kaj hočem reči? Ne moremo zadeve posploševati in a priori reči: vsak splav je smrtni greh, če naj sploh uporabljamo tak besednjak.

Na mizi imam pismo skupine ljudi, ki čakajo na umetno oploditev. Trije ali štiri poskusi umetne oploditve so plačani, naslednji pa ne več. Hrepenenje teh ljudi po otroku pa je neizmerno. Pred menoj je apel, kako formirati sklad, kako formirati posebno vrsto zavarovanja, da bi to upanje nekega dne postalo resničnost in da bi bil, recimo, tudi še peti ali šesti poskus plačan.

Kakšno pa je vaše stališče do vprašanja, o katerem smo lansko

leto imeli referendum – o umetni oploditvi samskih žensk?

Bil sem proti.

Zakaj, če smem vprašati?

Tudi zaradi tega, ker je človek socialno bitje. Potrebuje vzgojo obeh, očeta in matere. Tudi medicinska stroka je povedala svoje o tem...

...medicinska stroka je umetni oploditvi samskih žensk sprva nasprotovala, nazadnje pa odkritosrčno priznala, da to vprašanje presega njene kompetence, da ni zgolj medicinsko, ampak tudi sociološko...

...in etično vprašanje tudi. Se strinjam. Tu smo na mejnem področju.

V nedeljo ste se v Dupleku peljali v kočiji z nadškofom. Zakaj?

Tja so me posadili. Zakaj, ne vem. Povabilo na občinski praznik sem vzel dobronamerno. In če je bil zraven nadškof, če je bila prej maša in

so me potem dali v to kočijo ... nisem izbiral. Bil sem posajen vanjo. Tudi če bi v kočiji bil predsednik države ali kdorkoli, se jaz ne bi mogel – sploh pa ne pred javnostjo – upirati.

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21. OBLETNICE SMRTI
očeta in starega očeta



LUKA KUCHAR

Umrli 6. avgusta 1981.

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Žalujoci:

Lojzi, Francišek, Stane,
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Metka, Marcy – snahi
Uršula Marija – vnukinja
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Resnica našega življenja

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Imamo dobre avtomobile, zidamo velike hiše, vsega se znamo lotiti, vse znamo napraviti, notranje pa smo šibki. Zato je tako važno, da prihajamo na te tri kraje: na Kočevski Rog, Teharje in Lajše. Zakaj pa? Zato, ker so to kraji neznanskega trpljenja, ker nam pravzaprav govorijo, kaj je resnica življenja. Da namreč življenje ni vrt slasti, ampak je nevaren prostor, kjer je treba pametno, razumno in zvesto živeti. Ob trpljenju, ki se ga spominjamo na teh krajih, začutimo, da ne moremo živeti lahkomišelnosti, da nam ni dovoljeno biti neumni, da moramo to, kar smo podedovali, oddati naprej, da moramo zemljo, ki smo jo podedovali, dati naprej, da moramo jezik, ki smo ga podedovali, izročiti svojim otrokom, da moramo dušo, ki smo jo podedovali od svojih prednikov, izročiti svojim otrokom.

Toda nikjer se ne moremo tega zavesti s tako ostrino, s tako intenzivnostjo, tako neovrgljivostjo, kakor na teh krajih, na Kočevskem Rogu, na Teharjah in Lajšah. To so trije kraji, kjer je bila slovenska krščanska duša postavljena na preizkušnjo in vzdržala. Če smo pristno na tem kraju, začutimo, kaj so idoli in maliki in kaj je resnica življenja: lepa, osvobajajoča, človeška, tu se spomnimo, kaj smo in kaj moramo biti.

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Intervju s Francem Arharjem

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racija ali sta potrebni dve ali več.

Sedanjšega predsednika Milana Kučana desni pol slovenske strankarske politike nikoli ni docela sprejel. Ste vi lahko figura, ki bi povežala levi in desni pol?

Težko odgovorim kar takole. Če se ozrem samo na začetek svoje kampanje, ko me že zmerjajo z udbomafijo pa Kučanovim kandidatom in podobno, vam težko odgovorim. Na vsak način je med sedanjim predsednikom države in menoj velika razlika.

Katero vidite kot največjo?

Največja je pravzaprav najin različni položaj v preteklosti. Ve se, da je imel predsednik že v prejšnjem sistemu pomemben položaj ali celo enega najpomembnejših. Vsak tak položaj te obda s plusi in minusi. Po tej plati primerjava med nama ni mogoča.

Po drugi strani pa: Ko je gospod Slivnik napisal svojo knjigo *Kučanov klan* in me uvrstil vanj in sem ga povprašal, kako da sem se znašel v tem kontekstu – ničesar slabega ne mislim, sem dodal, sprašujem samo, da vem, kakšni so kriteriji – mi je odgovoril: "Ja, predsednik vas je predlagal parlamentu za guvernerja".

Zdaj se predsednik piše Kučan, jutri se bo lahko kakor koli. Po zakonih, ki jih imamo, predsednik države predlaga guvernerja... Skratka, to vzdušje pač nekemu odgovarja, zato ga potencira. Se pa tega ne bojim. Absolutno bi si prizadeval za večje sožitje med enim in drugimi. Ne obremenjuje me nič iz preteklosti. Moramo se zavedati po Evropi in enkrat pozabiti na stvari, ki smo jim sami botrovali, in si prizadevati za korektna dejstva in za čim bolj objektivne sodbe o preteklosti.

Kučan je napovedal, da v predsedniški kampanji najverjetneje ne bo ostal neopredeljen. Se vam zdi, da njegova beseda šteje toliko, da je pomembno, koga bo podprl?

Vsekakor. On je najvišja moralna in politična

integriteta.

In koga mislite, da bo podprl?

Tega pa ne vem. Ne upam si tvegati takih uganj. To morate vprašati predsednika.

Na volitvah vas čaka težka naloga. Po javnomnenjskih raziskavah LDS redno prejema več glasov kot Janševa SDS, Bajukova NSi in Butova SLS skupaj. Skratka, če želite zmagati na volitvah, boste morali poseči...

...vem, na vse strani neba...

...ne samo to, poseči boste morali globoko v volilno telo LDS. Na neki način boste morali prepričati pomemben del volivcev LDS, da bodo raje kot Drnovška volili vas...

Zavedam se, da se predsednik voli na večinskih volitvah, da se torej voli osebnost. Praktično stavim na to karto. Zavedam se tudi, da mora predsednik de facto biti predsednik vseh Slovencev in državljanih te države. In da naj bi predsednik dejansko predstavljal večino, tudi tisto, ki ne prihaja na volitve. Želim si, da bi koga od teh spodbodel,

V BLAG SPOMIN

12. obletnice smrti našega ljubljeneža, očeta, starega očeta, brata in strica



Otmarja Tašner

ki je umrl 7. avgusta 1990

Dvanajst let je že minilo, odkar te več med nami ni. Smrt ti vzela je življenje, končala tvoje je trpljenje.

V božjem miru ti počivaj, dragi, nepozabni nam.

Pri Bogu rajsko srečo uživaj, do svidanja na vekomaj.

Žalujoci:

Anica, žena, ter ostalo sorodstvo tukaj v Ameriki, doma v Sloveniji, in drugje po svetu.

Westchester, Ill., 1. avgusta 2002.

da bi vendarle volil.

Z drugimi besedami: zavedam se statistike, ki ste jo omenili, zavedam pa se tudi dejstev, ki sem jih omenil sam. V njih vidim svoje upanje.

Kam po bogastvu, premoženju, uvrščate sebe?

Verjetno se uvrščam nekam v sredino. Imam hišo v Cerknici, ki sem jo večinoma zgradil sam skupaj z ženo, in dvosobno stanovanje v Ljubljani. To je vse. Kot vidite, nisem posebno velik lastnik.

Kakšen je vaš življenjski slog? Posedujete počitniško hišico, jadrnico, čoln, ali dopustujete v tujini?

Na žalost nimam ničesar od naštetega. Živim v Cerknici in sem stalno, vsak dan na poti iz Cerknice v Ljubljano in nazaj. V veselje mi je, če sem doma. Rad pa grem tudi na pot. Zadnja leta sem v lastni režiji odhajal na desetdnevna potovanja, večinoma v Skandinavijo, da sem si lahko ogledal te dežele.

Dopust večinoma preživljam na morju ali pa kombinirano – nekaj na morju, nekaj v planinah. Rad grem peš v hrib. Zapeljem se pa tudi s kolesom okoli Cerkniškega jezera, pa v razne druge naše kraje.

Dajete vtis varčnega, asketskega človeka.

Od malega, od osnovne šole naprej sem si sam služil kruh. Imel sem zgledne starše. Oče, ki je bil zidar, bi bil najbolj srečen, če bi postal rokodelc. Prihodnost je videl v rokodelstvu.

Tudi tega sem si izučil, tako da sem si z rokami služil kruh v študentskih letih; pa tudi še kasneje sem rad komu priskočil na pomoč pri zidarskih delih. Še vedno se lotim česa malega.

Če tako malo trošite, kam potem nalagate prihranke – v delnice, obveznice...?

Imam nekaj prihrankov. Kar imam, je v bankah. Delnice imam samo tiste, ki sem jih dobil na podlagi certifikatov. Drugačnega premoženja nimam.

Kako boste financirali svojo kampanjo, od kod boste vzeli denar?

Tam kot drugi. Povprašal bom podjetja in

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P. VENDELIN ŠPENDOV

Lemont, IL

LEMONTSKI ODMEVI

V avgustu je več Marijinih praznikov: Vnebovzetje Marijino, 15. avgusta, ki ga imenujemo tudi Veliki Šmaren. Devico Marijo Kraljico počastimo 22. avgusta, ker je božja Mati v nebesa vzeta, je deležna tudi kraljevanja svojega Sina. 5. avgusta se spominjamo posvetitve Marijine bazilike v Rimu s. Maria Maggiore, Marija Snežna.

V tem mesecu goduje p. Bernard Karmanocky, 20. avgusta; njegov rojstni dan pa je 25. avgusta 1946.

Sobratje umrli v tem mesecu: p. Krištof Sedlak (10. avg. 1973); p. Inocenc Feryan (12. avg. 1985); p. Pelagij Majhenič (13. avg. 1994); p. Pij Petrič (14. avg. 1965); p. Kerubin Begelj (17. avg. 1964); p. Hieronim Sellak (25. avg. 1987); p. Hiacint Podgoršek (27. avg. 1954). Naj jim sveti večna Luč.

Leta 1905 je p. Kazimir Zakrajšek, OFM prišel v to deželo, da bi potrjeval v veri slovenske rojake. Najprej je deloval v New Yorku, od tam pa po drugih slovenskih naselbinah. Pri tem je uvidel, da je žetev velika, delavcev pa malo, zato se je leta 1912 podal na pot in v Sloveniji vabil sobrate frančiškane za "daljno Ameriko". Nekaj se mu jih je odzvalo.

Da ne bi bili preveč sami in raztreseni, je zaprosil za ustanovitev podružnice slovenske frančiškanske Province v Ameriki, imenovano (Komisariat Sv. Križa v ZDA". Prošnja je bila ugodno rešena in p. Kazimir je bil prvi komisar – višji predstojnik.

Tako letos poteka 90 let ustanovitve komisariata – kustodije. Sobratje so v teh devetdesetih letih opravili bogato "žetev". Zato se bomo ob tej obletnici Bogu zahvalili s sv. mašo v nedeljo, 25. avgusta, ob enajstih dopoldne in večernicami ob 2.30 pop. Po sv. maši bo kosilo, banket v Kulturnem centru. Cena \$10. Ta dan je tudi vsakoletni "medeni piknik" na hribčku.

Slovo od Sv. Štefana v Chicagu – Sto štiri leta poteka, kar je bila cerkev in fara sv. Štefana zavetje in duhovno

središče slovenskih rojakov v Chicagu. Proti koncu prejšnjega stoletja se je v okolici marsikaj spremenilo. Šola je postala "Cristo Rey High School", župnija je bila ukinjena, matične knjige zakramentov so sedaj v chicaškem nadškofijskem uradu.

Z nadškofijskega urada je bilo določeno, da bo zadnja maša svetoštetfanskim faranom v nedeljo, 30. junija 2002. Opravil jo je p. Blaž Chemazar, ki je bil zadnji župnik.

Hvala Bogu za vse sv. maše, zakramente in milosti. Upamo, da bodo bivši farani ostali zvesti Bogu in Cerkvi, kjer koli so si že postavili nove domove.

Msgr. Roger Foys, generalni vikar škofije Steubenville, Ohio, je 15. julija 2002, star 56 let, prejel škofovsko posvečenje in prevzel škofijo Covington, Kentucky. Škof Roger Foys je bil rojen v Chicagu kot sin Martina Foysa in Terezije roj. Haklin, prekmurskih rojakov iz župnije Črenšovci v Sloveniji.

V cerkvi Sv. Štefana v Chicagu je bil Roger krščen in je dovršil osnovno šolo, ki so jo vodile Šolske sestre sv. Frančiška. Menda ena od sester učiteljic, s. Valentina, še živi in se veseli, da je njen učenec dosegel tako visoko mesto v Cerkvi. Izobraževanje je Roger nadaljeval v Steubenville, kjer je 16. maja 1973 prejel mašniško posvečenje.

Gospodu škofu čestitamo, z njim pa tudi sorodnikom in rojakom iz Prekmurja. Želimo mu božjega blagoslova v težki in odgovorni službi.

Naročniki Ave Maria redno skrbijo, da so na tekočem z naročnino. Knjigovodstvo kaže, da so le redki zaostali. Mnogi dodajo še dar v pomoč listu, za kar smo jim iskreno hvaležni, prav tako za darove za sv. maše. Pri tem rojake iz Kanade zopet prosimo, da pri naročilih za mašo darujejo ali \$10 v USA valutni, ali pa \$15 v kanadski. Hvala za razumevanje.

Vsakoletno romanje društva Prekmurje je na

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Misijonska srečanja in pomenki

1438. Sestra Marija Pavlišič, ki deluje na Mada-

gaskarju, je poslala naslednje vrstice:

"Spoštovana! Pozdravljena!

Ko sem šla aprila v Slovenijo, sem prejela Vaš dar za uboge. Hvala Vam za vse, kar naredite za naše uboge.

Mi imamo več kot 1000 šolarjev, 150 otrok dobi topel obrok opoldne. Nekaj več kot 100 otrok je v šoli brezplačno, vse to z Vašo pomočjo, saj nimamo nobenih rednih dohodkov, živimo od Previdnosti in dobrote ljudi.

Letos je težko, ker je bila žetev riža zelo slaba, nekateri niso pridelali toliko, kot so posejali, tudi drugi pridelki so zelo revni radi suše. Veliko je podhranjenih otrok, pa tudi starejših ljudi. Bolnikov je veliko, posebno tuberkuloznih.

Verjetno ste spremljali ali vsaj slišali o političnih problemih pri nas. Bivši predsednik ni hotel odstopiti in je naredil veliko škodo, ko je podiral mostove. Če se ne motim, je dal minirati 18 mostov, pomanjkanje je goriva in drugih potrebnih artiklov, ker je zaprl več cest. Pred nekaj dnevi je odpotoval in sedaj se bodo stvari počasi urejale. Ljudje nimajo elektrike, petrol pa stane 20.000 Fmg, 1 kg sladkorja 10.000, prav tako olje. Navaden delavec pa zasluži na dan 5.000 do 7.000 Fmg, ali pa še manj. Državni uslužbenci niso dobili plač...

To je mal "vzorec" sedanjih težav.

Prosim Vas, da mi sporočite imena dobrotnikov, ki so darovali za naš misijon. Če ste mi pisala, pisma še nisem prejela. Hvala za uslugo. Ostanimo povezani v molitvi. Vaša hvaležna s. Marija."

Priložen je še en listič, pisan tri dni pozneje. S. Marija piše:

"Ravno sedaj sem prejela Vaše misijonsko pismo.



Torej, kar sem Vas prosila, je že napisano. G. Tomcu sem se zahvalila, ostane še M.F. Štrancar.

Hvala za Vaš trud in prizadevanje za pomoč misijonarjem. Pri nas imamo sv. mašo v zahvalo dobrotnikom vsak ponedeljek. Molimo za vse dobrotnike. Vsem še enkrat Bog povrni! Vaša hvaležna s. Marija."

Sestra je priložila še fotografije o življenju njihovih otrok. In sicer: za Božič so imeli žive jaslice, na fotografiji so trije kot Sv. Družina, kar piše zadaj, da so zelo resno vzeli ta nastop. Naslednja slika je 46 prvoobhajancev, nato je del otrok pri kosilu in zadnja je tuberkulozni fantič, ki je hodil 20 km peš.

Sestra Marija ima v g. Tomcu s Floride velikega dobrotnika. Ta mož vsak mesec daruje zanjo od svoje skromne pokojnine in še svoje sorodnike in prijatelje navdušuje za darove njej v pomoč.

Dobro sliko imamo, kaj naredi napuh, koliko škode in nesreče čisto po nepotrebnem. Dežela Madagaskar, že v tako veliki revščini, je padla v še večjo radi samovšečnosti enega človeka. Zdaj se je končno umaknil in Bog daj novemu predsedniku pravo pamet, da bo zares vodil svoje ljudstvo v boljše življenje in znal celiti nastale rane.

Prav lep misijonski pozdrav vsem čitateljem teh vrstic!

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važno povezano s slavjem očetovskega dne, letos 23. junija. Navzoči so bili tudi rojaki iz oddaljenih krajev. Udeležba pri sv. maši je bila vzorna, pravtako na gričku. Lep začetek lemontske romarske sezone za leto 2002.

V nedeljo, 23. junija, so poromali člani Ameriško - slovenskega radio kluba. Oznanjeno je bilo, da polurna slovenska radijska oddaja s sodelovanjem lemontskih frančiškanov, ki je bila od septembra 1995 vsako soboto popoldne, zaradi nepredvidenih razmer preneha.

Člani Slovenskega športnega kluba so se udeležili "svete maše za dve domovini - slovensko-ameriški dan" 30. junija. Po kosilu so se poskusili v lahki atletiki. Pridružili so se jim tudi športniki iz Milwaukeeja in Kanade. Naj jih Bog blagoslavlja!

Članice Slovenske ženske zveze so poromale k Mariji Pomagaj v nedeljo, 21. julija. Pogrešali smo nekatere, ki so se stalno udeleževale, pa so ali že pri Bogu ali pa jih je zadržala bolezen. Kakor vsako leto so tudi letos prinesle ob darovanju simbolična darila. Naj jih Bog ohrani!

Romanja društva sv. Ane št. 170 KSKJ 28. julija se je letos udeležilo tudi lepo število mlajših članic. Naj jim sv. Ana, mati Marije Device, pomaga pri vzgoji v družinah.

Letno romanje Oltarnih društev iz Clevelanda k Mariji Pomagaj bo 10. in 11. avgusta. Za to romanje imajo članice že ustaljen romarski program, ki je vzor romanja. Njim se pridružijo tudi člani Slomškovega krožka, saj je vseh skupaj ravno dovolj za avtobus.

Lani je dr. Ivan Štuhec ob svojem obisku razložil težave, ki jih imajo s škofijsko gimnazijo v Mariboru. Prosil je za pomoč, za darove, ko se bo oglasil naslednje leto, torej letos. Sporočil je, da bo v Lemontu prve

dni avgusta s skupino mladih, ki naj bi v soboto, 3. avgusta zvečer, peli pri maši, v dvorani pa priredili dobrodelni koncert. Dr. Štuhec, ki vodi mlade in se trudi za mariborsko gimnazijo, bodo naši obiskovalci gotovo radi darovali po svojih močeh.

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Dr. France Arhar

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posameznike, ali so pripravljeni kaj prispevati.

Ste že naredili preračun svoje volilne kampanje?

Ne še. Vem samo, kaj o financiranju volilnih kampanj pravi zakon. To je zaenkrat vse. Nobene pogodbe še nisem podpisal.

Boste zastavili tudi svoj denar?

Saj sem ga že. Saj so me že spraševali, kdo mi je plačal tiskovno konferenco v hotelu Union... Sam sem jo plačal.

Kako pa se je lahko zgodilo, da je vabila za vaš nastop v Črnomlju v vašem imenu pošiljala agencija za kmetijske trge?

Ne vem. Oni so me vprašali, če sem pripravljen priti predavati in sem odgovoril, da sem. V organizacijo se nisem vtikal, tako kot nikoli do zdaj. Pa sem predaval in še predavam po rotary in drugih klubih ali tudi kje drugje, večinoma gospodarstvenikom. Nikdar se nisem vtikal v logistiko tistega, ki me je vabil.

Ko pa sem izvedel za vabila agencije za kmetijske trge, sem zelo jasno povedal, da se mi to ne zdi prav in da nasprotujem takemu načinu vabljenja. In ko so me vprašali, ali se napaka da odpraviti, sem dejal: Napake se dajo večinoma vse odpraviti, če le človek ni mrtev.

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