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# Six will compete for Miss SNPJ 2011



SELINA PROGAR (138)

by KEVIN RICHARDS  
SNPJ Fraternal Director

**IMPERIAL, Pa.** — The SNPJ Fraternal Department is pleased to introduce the sixth contestant to enter the 2010 Miss SNPJ Pageant, Selina Progar, a member of Lodge 138 in Strabane, Pa.

Selina is a lifelong Lodge 138 member. She is the daughter of Donald (138) and Eliecia Progar, and the granddaughter of John and the late Mary Progar (138), and Violet and the late John Yukevich.

A 2010 honor graduate of Canon McMillan High School, Selina was a member of the Latin Club, Ski Club, Kids for Wish Kids, Lead Canon McMillan Mentors and the swim team. She was inducted into the National Latin Honor Society and Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Selina has spent many hours volunteering for the North Strabane Township Parks and Recreation Department, assisting with the annual

Community Day celebration, lunch with Santa Claus, Easter egg hunt and the township's 10K race. She has also been a regular volunteer for the Jack-O-Lantern Jog and 5K Race.

Selina's involvement in SNPJ activity began as a toddler with the annual Strabane Youth Circle 19 Christmas production. She has continued to take part in the Circle with Easter egg hunts, Halloween parties, field trips and youth bowling. She has represented her Lodge at TEL Workshops, and has participated in the Family Twosome Bowling Tournament with her father, winning four awards.

Selina has assisted with Lodge 138 bowling

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## Home Office closed for the 4th of July holiday

**IMPERIAL, Pa.** — The SNPJ Home Office will be closed Monday, July 5, in observance of Independence Day. Normal office hours, 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., will resume Tuesday, July 6. We wish all SNPJ members and friends a safe and happy Independence Day.

## Reveliers Lodge 33 sets its next meeting date

**AMBRIDGE, Pa.** — Reveliers Lodge 33 members will hold their next meeting Monday, June 28, at the home of Lodge Secretary Chris Petukauskas, 1824 Porter St., Conway, PA 15027. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. If you have any questions or need directions, phone Secretary Petukauskas at (724) 869-0530. I hope to see many members in attendance!

CHRIS PETUKAUSKAS  
Lodge 33 Secretary

## Catch a ride to Slovenefest with Strabane Lodge 138

**STRABANE, Pa.** — Strabane Lodge 138 is sponsoring a bus to Slovenefest Sunday, July 11. The bus will leave the Lodge 138 parking lot at 10 a.m. and depart from the Recreation Center at 7 p.m. The round-trip cost is \$10 for regular Lodge 138 members and \$15 for all others. For reservations call Bob Lawrence at (724) 745-0807. Payments should be mailed to Bob Lawrence, 178 Latimer Ave., Strabane, PA 15363. All fares must be paid in advance; payments will not be accepted at departure time. The deadline for reservations is July 5.

BOB LAWRENCE  
Lodge 138 Secretary

## Have you recommended a new member lately?

**IMPERIAL, Pa.** — Take advantage of SNPJ's Recommender Program which offers members an enhanced benefit for encouraging family, children, friends and acquaintances to join SNPJ. The recommender will receive \$10 for each valid referral. Every valid referral earns the recommender one chance in the quarterly drawing for a chance to win \$100 and an additional opportunity in the year-end drawing for a chance to win \$500. See page 6 for the Recommender coupon.

## Stay updated on SNPJ athletics through e-mail

**IMPERIAL, Pa.** — The Fraternal Department is collecting e-mail addresses for SNPJ athletic programs. If you would like to receive periodic e-mails containing information about these programs, e-mail Fraternal Director Kevin Richards at [krichards@snpj.com](mailto:krichards@snpj.com).

## THE DEADLINE

The next two *PROSVETA* issue dates are July 14 and July 28. All material must be received by Friday, July 2, for the July 14 issue, and by Monday, July 19, for the July 28 issue. If you are running short on time and concerned about making the deadline, try faxing your submission to (724) 695-1555 or e-mailing [prosveta@snpj.com](mailto:prosveta@snpj.com).



• **Jacob R. DeFoor**  
Born March 3, 2010  
Greensburg, Pa., Lodge 223

Greensburg Lodge 223 members welcome Jacob Russell DeFoor as the newest addition to their Lodge. Jacob is the son of Corey and Mary (Arch) DeFoor (223), and the grandson of David and Betty Arch (223), and Paul and Audrey DeFoor. We welcome Jacob to the Society and extend our best wishes to his entire family.

# A taste of regional activity

## May wine tasting picnic a feast for Region 8 members

by MATT MLAKAR  
Lodge 745

**GRASS VALLEY, Calif.** — Friends, music, food, wine and sunshine made for a magnificent picnic at the second annual Golden Valley Lodge Wine Tasting Picnic. The picnic, which took place May 15 at Dobra Zemlja Winery in Plymouth, Calif., served as an SNPJ Region 8 regional fraternal activity.

There was a great turnout as people came from across California, including members from San Francisco Lodge 304, the Slovenian Genealogy Society and Golden State Accordion Club, as well as Region 8 Vice President Fred Mlakar (786) and many others from the Sacramento Valley, Gold Country foothills and San Joaquin Valley areas.

Lodge 745 again chose Dobra Zemlja's beautiful grounds as the locale for the spring picnic, and the winery was once again a gracious host. This time Dobra gifted the Lodge with a private tasting right on the picnic grounds. The robust red wines showed why the winery's motto is "No lightweights."

To go with the wine, delicious Slovenian klobase and potica were provided by "An Affair with Food," Fontana Lodge 723 President Eric Wood's catering company. The potica and klobase were quickly gobbled up, with the few leftovers purchased to be taken home.

The accordions were in full force all afternoon. Music was provided by many during the day, including Fred Mlakar, Lodge 745 Secretary John Mlakar and members of the Golden State Accordion Club.

New this year were drawings that proved to be popular. Prizes included bottles of wine generously donated by Dobra Zemlja, an authentic Slovenia World Cup soccer scarf straight from Maribor, Slovenia, and a grand prize gift basket full of scrumptious goodies. Lodge 745 thanks everyone who participated in the drawings.

# Join SNPJ for a regional fraternal activity in your area

by KEVIN RICHARDS  
SNPJ Fraternal Director

**IMPERIAL, Pa.** — The SNPJ Fraternal Department has been working with the Regional Vice Presidents to host a number of regional fraternal events. The next regional activity on the SNPJ fraternal calendar is turning into a tradition in the Cleveland area. Join SNPJ and Region 4 Vice President Dorothy Gorjup (158) for Slovene Heritage Night at the Lake County Captains baseball game Monday, July 26. Tickets are only \$8 and may be purchased through your Lodge secretary, through Dorothy Gorjup or at the Polka Hall of Fame. SNPJ members will receive a \$3 food voucher at the game.

Region 2 Vice President Jim Curl (6) will once again play host to SNPJ Night at the Washington Wild Things baseball game on Friday, July 30, as the Wild Things take on the Lake Erie Crushers beginning at 7:05 p.m. Tickets for this game are only \$7 each can be purchased directly from the Washington Wild Things ticket office. Phone the ticket office at (724) 250-9555 and mention SNPJ for our group rate. SNPJ, along with Bro. Curl, will host a tailgate party in the parking lot prior to the game for all of our members.

Join SNPJ members in the Detroit area for SNPJ Night at the Detroit Tigers baseball game Saturday, Aug. 21. Region 5 Vice President Tracey Anderson (677) will serve as hostess. District 5 Athletic Director Ken Anderson (677) will handle ticket sales. Details will follow in upcoming *PROSVETA* issues. We look forward to seeing you at Comerica Park Aug. 21.

Region 3 Vice President Nancy Koutoulakis (721) will be hosting an event in downtown Pittsburgh that will witness the end of an era. Join Nancy and SNPJ members for the final tour of "The Phantom of the Opera" during a matinee performance beginning at 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12. This will be the last season this production is staged in Pittsburgh. Tickets for this show are \$51.65 each and can be purchased through the SNPJ Fraternal Department. Send a check, made payable to SNPJ, in the total amount for the number of tickets purchased.

The Fraternal Department will be looking into hosting other events in other SNPJ regions. I'll keep you posted as these develop.

# Don't wait to get in on this year's Recreation Center Reverse Raffle

by SUSAN HARDING (277)  
SNPJ Recreation Center

**BOROUGH OF SNPJ, Pa.** — Don't wait! Send in your check for the best night of the year at the SNPJ Recreation Center — the Couples Reverse Raffle, this year scheduled Saturday, Sept. 4, during National SNPJ Days weekend.

The evening will begin at 5 p.m. with a chocolate fountain and hors d'oeuvres. At 6 p.m. you'll enjoy a delicious dinner prepared by our wedding caterers, Mariann and Dave Jones. The drawings will be held after dinner, from 7 to 8 p.m., followed by music from 8 to 11.

For a reverse raffle, all tickets are drawn; after

so many numbers are pulled, a prize is awarded. The last three ticket holders will receive the big prizes. A total of over \$5,000 will be given away. You don't want to miss this event!

Over 125 couples enjoyed themselves last year. If you don't want your lucky ticket from last year, please phone the SNPJ Recreation Center toll-free at 1-877-767-5732 and let us know so we can give your ticket to someone else. This could be the luckiest night of your life!

Join in the fun by sending in your check now. The cost is \$100 per ticket. Each ticket admits one couple... which can be two women or two men as well.

# Deadline fast approaching for Heritage Center T-shirt contest

by CAROL SADAR MARUSZAK (53)  
SNPJ Heritage Center Committee

**BOROUGH OF SNPJ, Pa.** — Calling all artists and T-shirt lovers! The SNPJ Heritage Center is looking for new designs to print on T-shirts. Send us your best design, and you may be the winner of a \$50 Visa gift card and have the honor of seeing your T-shirt worn by your friends at SNPJ events.

The winning submissions will be made into T-shirts that will be sold at the SNPJ Heritage Center. A winner will be chosen in each of two categories: a youth category (ages 5-17) and an adult category (ages 18 and over). The Heritage Center Committee will select the group of finalists; those designs will be on display at the SNPJ Recreation Center during Slovenefest the weekend of July 9-11. Slovenefest attendees will vote on their favorite designs and determine the two winners.

### Contest Criteria:

- Entries must have an SNPJ or Slovenian theme.
- No more than three colors should be used. Art may be a line drawing.
- Hand-drawn artwork or computer generated artwork accepted.
- Open to SNPJ members only.
- Hard copy submissions should be done on 8½" x 11" white paper.
- Each submission becomes the property of the SNPJ Heritage Center and will not be returned to submitter.
- All rights belong to the SNPJ Heritage Center.
- The entry deadline is July 1, 2010.

For information contact Joan Barbish Gasperic at (724) 695-3926 or [joaniebg@gmail.com](mailto:joaniebg@gmail.com). Mail submissions to SNPJ Heritage Center, 270 Martin Road, Enon Valley, PA 16120.

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# Make plans for the Lodge 138 anniversary

by JEN HERVOL  
Lodge 138

**STRABANE, Pa.** — One hundred years ago, on July 4, 1910, SNPJ found the small, quiet town of Strabane, Pa. Nestled between the towns of Canonsburg and Houston, Strabane was home to many Slovenian families who came together to form Postojnska Jama Lodge 138. As membership began to grow, the Strabane Hall was built at the end of Latimer Ave. in 1916, where it still stands proudly today.

In its beginnings, SNPJ provided insurance to those who otherwise would have gone unprotected in a time when insurance was not prevalent in America. Additionally, the Strabane Lodge held many polka dances and social functions which helped membership grow and brought a community together. Since its formation, the Lodge has built new friendships, strengthened family bonds and educated new generations. Today, Lodge 138 continues to grow by keeping culture and tradi-

tions at heart, while progressing into the future with an innovative spirit.

Over the past 100 years, Lodge 138 has taught many generations to remember the importance of culture, heritage and fraternalism, and to keep traditions alive. Please join us to reminisce, create new memories and celebrate our 100th anniversary with an entire weekend of festivities.

The schedule of events includes: Friday, July 16 – George Suhon performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, July 17 – Annual Duck Race Picnic beginning at 4 p.m.; Karl Lukitsch performs at 6 p.m. Sunday, July 18 – Outdoor Family Picnic beginning at 1 p.m.; the Joe Grkman Orchestra performs at 1 p.m., Jack Tady performs at 4 p.m.

T-shirts commemorating our 100th anniversary and annual Duck Race will be available for purchase during the weekend. To pre-order, contact Beverly Pabian at (724) 745-2790 after 5 p.m. or place an order at the Lodge 138 bar.

# Showcase your talent at the first-ever SNPJ Heritage Center Art Exhibition

by CAROL SADAR MARUSZAK (53)  
SNPJ Heritage Center Committee

**BOROUGH OF SNPJ, Pa.** — The SNPJ Heritage Center is open for the season. The Heritage Center will be open during Slovenefest, so be sure to stop in.

New this year is an art exhibit with work submitted by SNPJ members. With entries already arriving, it promises to be a nice show. Contact Kathy Loudon or Sarah Loudon for more information. The purpose of this exhibition is to showcase visual artwork created by SNPJ members. Sale of art will be encouraged. A 15 percent commission will be charged for any work sold while on display in the SNPJ Heritage Center.

### Eligibility

The first-ever SNPJ Heritage Center Art Exhibition is open to all SNPJ members ages 17 and older. Entries must be original works of art. Submitted work must be available from Aug. 8 to Sept. 12.

### Entry Requirements

1. Due to limited space, please e-mail [LoudonKS@gmail.com](mailto:LoudonKS@gmail.com) with your name and the number

of works you would like to submit in order to reserve yourself a space.

2. Artwork must be received by Aug. 8, 2010.
3. Limit of three works of art per participant.
4. A completed art identification tag must be attached to each work.
5. An artist's statement is optional.
6. Fee: A non-refundable \$15 fee must accompany the artist's entry for up to three pieces. The entry fee is payable by check to the SNPJ Heritage Center.
7. Participants are responsible for their own shipping costs or transportation fees. Shipped work will require paid return delivery paperwork and postage.
8. A signed Artists Release must accompany all art work upon delivery.

### Restrictions

1. Accepted mediums include painting, drawing, printmaking, photography and mixed media. All work must be wired and ready to hang, matted and framed, or edges

gallery wrapped and finished. Works larger than three square feet will not be accepted.

2. All works must have a properly filled out identification tag attached to the reverse of the piece.
3. The SNPJ Heritage Center reserves the right to exclude any entry that is deemed not to be family friendly, arrives damaged or presents complex installation problems.

Works of art may be dropped off at the SNPJ Heritage Center on any Sunday through Aug. 8 from 1 to 4 p.m., or sent to the SNPJ Heritage Center, 270 Martin Road, Enon Valley, PA 16120. Participants are responsible for their own shipping costs or transportation fees.

The SNPJ Heritage Center will take every precaution to ensure the safety of your pieces; however, we cannot be held responsible for theft or damage to your work while on the premises.

An opening reception will be held Sunday, Aug. 22, from 1 to 3 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

# August dance on tap for Golden Eagles Lodge 643

by TONY KREN  
Lodge 643 Secretary

**GIRARD, Ohio** — There is a correction to the date of the July Golden Eagles meeting at Tod Park in Girard. The meeting will be held Thursday, July 15, not Wednesday as was previously mentioned. Thank you, Rosie,

for pointing out this error!

There will be no August meeting, so our Lodge members can devote their time to preparing for the Aug. 8 polka dance at the SNPJ Recreation Center in the Borough of SNPJ, Pa. We will be hosting the popular Tony Klepec Orchestra from 3 to 7 p.m. for

your listening and dancing pleasure. Come and enjoy all the good food from the Rec Center kitchen, as well as our bake sale and 50/50 drawing. The Golden Eagles hope to have a good turnout this year, so bring your family and friends to our beautiful SNPJ summer getaway in Western Pa.

Upcoming Lodge 643 meetings are scheduled Sept. 16, Oct. 21 and Nov. 18, all Thursdays and all at Amen Corner in Girard. Our 2010 Christmas party is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 11, also at Amen Corner.

Have a great summer!

# Up-and-Coming...

## A look at events planned by the Slovene National Benefit Society

- JULY 4 ..... Samsula, Fla., Lodge 603 Fourth of July celebration at the Lodge 603 Hall beginning at noon. For additional information contact Lodge President William Benedict at (386) 233-0015.
- JULY 9-11 ..... Slovenefest XXIX and the 54th Miss SNPJ Pageant at the SNPJ Recreation Center, Borough of SNPJ, Pa.
- JULY 11 ..... Strugglers Lodge 614 picnic and dance at the SNPJ Farm, Kirtland, Ohio. Dinner served at 2 p.m.; music by Dan Petters 3:30-7:30 p.m. For additional information contact Joe Blatnik at (440) 943-1191.
- JULY 16-18 ..... Strabane, Pa., Lodge 138 100-year anniversary celebration. July 16 – music by George Suhon 9 p.m.-1 a.m. July 17 – Duck Race and family picnic 4-6 p.m. and music by Karl Lukitsch, 6-10 p.m. July 18 – cookout at noon, and music by Joe and Mike Grkman 1-3 p.m. and the Jack Tady Band 4-8 p.m.
- JULY 18 ..... V-Boj Lodge 53 picnic at the SNPJ Farm, Kirtland, Ohio. Music by the Jeff Pecon Orchestra. For details contact Martha Meglich at (440) 884-5043.
- JULY 18 ..... Orange Coast Lodge 786 summer barbecue and swim party at the Rancho Niguel Recreation Center, Laguna Niguel, Calif.; noon-5 p.m. For details contact Jean Koci at (949) 495-0097 or e-mail [ajkoci@cox.net](mailto:ajkoci@cox.net).
- JULY 18 ..... Steve Novosel's Polka Picnic at the Evanstown Picnic Grove, Herminie, Pa.; 1-7 p.m. Music by Eddie Rodick and the Skovenski Band. For details contact Mary Ann Bebar at (724) 668-7394.
- JULY 18 ..... Baden, Pa., Lodge A18 summer picnic at Economy Park, Shelter 3; 2-6 p.m. For information or directions, contact Susan Ramsey at (724) 869-0172.
- JULY 18-24 ..... First Family Week at the SNPJ Recreation Center, Borough of SNPJ, Pa. For information phone the Rec Center toll-free at 1-877-767-5732.
- JULY 25-31 ..... Second Family Week at the SNPJ Recreation Center, Borough of SNPJ, Pa. For information phone the Rec Center toll-free at 1-877-767-5732.
- JULY 25 ..... American-Slovene Radio Show picnic at the Evanstown Picnic Grove, Herminie, Pa., beginning at noon. Music by Frank Stanger. For more details contact Sharon Ujcich Lubich at (412) 822-7742.
- JULY 31-AUG. 6 .. Detroit Week at the SNPJ Recreation Center, Borough of SNPJ, Pa. For additional information phone the Rec Center toll-free at 1-877-767-5732.
- AUG. 1 ..... SNPJ Farm Board picnic at the SNPJ Farm, Kirtland, Ohio; dinner served at 2 p.m., music by Wayne Tomic 3:30-7:30 p.m. For additional information phone Joe Blatnik at (440) 943-1191.
- AUG. 6-8 ..... SNPJ TEL Workshop at the SNPJ Recreation Center, Borough of SNPJ, Pa. For registration information contact Fraternal Director Kevin Richards at 1-800-843-7675 or e-mail [krichards@sn timer.org](mailto:krichards@sn timer.org).
- AUG. 8 ..... Golden Eagles Lodge 643 polka dance at the SNPJ Recreation Center, Borough of SNPJ, Pa.; 3-7 p.m. Music by the Tony Klepec Orchestra. For details phone Tony Kren at (330) 545-4981.
- AUG. 8 ..... Utah Slovenian Day Picnic sponsored by SNPJ Lodges 113, 689 and 757 at Price City Washington Park Pavilion; noon to 5 p.m. For details contact Gene Lessar at (435) 637-6925.
- AUG. 15 ..... Utopians Lodge 604 second annual lamb and pig roast at the SNPJ Farm, Kirtland, Ohio. Roast beef and sausage dinners at 2 p.m., lamb and pig at 3 p.m. Music by Bob Kravos and the Boys in the Band. For details or to pre-order phone Gerri Trebets at (440) 951-9611.
- AUG. 21 ..... Strabane, Pa., Lodge 138 hosts the Eddie Rodick Orchestra from 4-8 p.m.
- AUG. 29 ..... Cleveland Lodge 142 annual picnic and 100th anniversary dinner dance at the SNPJ Farm, Kirtland, Ohio. Dinner served at 2 p.m., dancing to Jeff Pecon at 3:30 p.m. For information phone Dolores Dobida at (440) 943-5559.
- SEPT. 5 ..... SNPJ Farm Board picnic at the SNPJ Farm, Kirtland, Ohio; dinner served at 2 p.m., music by Dan Peters 3:30-7:30 p.m. For details phone Joe Blatnik at (440) 943-1191.
- SEPT. 18 ..... Remezo/Kumer Golf Tournament hosted by Universal Comets Lodge 715 at Mill Creek Golf Course, Boardman, Ohio. For details phone Marty Kumer at (412) 856-8791.
- SEPT. 19 ..... Friends of the Farm picnic at the SNPJ Farm, Kirtland, Ohio; dinner service beginning at 2 p.m. with music by Don Wojtilla 3:30-7:30 p.m. For information contact Joe Blatnik at (440) 943-1191.
- SEPT. 26 ..... Grape Festival and parade at the SNPJ Farm, Kirtland, Ohio; dinner service beginning at 2 p.m. with music by Joey Tomsick 3:30-7:30 p.m. For additional information contact Joe Blatnik at (440) 943-1191.
- OCT. 16 ..... Universal Comets Lodge 715 annual luncheon banquet at Palmieri's Restaurant, Plum Boro, Pa.; 1-5 p.m. For more details contact Ann Evanish at (724) 693-8739.
- OCT. 24 ..... Pancake & Sausage Breakfast at the SNPJ Farm, Kirtland, Ohio; breakfast served 9 a.m.-1 p.m. For information contact Joe Blatnik at (440) 943-1191.
- OCT. 31 ..... Samsula, Fla., Lodge 603 Halloween party at the Lodge 603 Hall beginning at 6:30 p.m. For additional information contact Sheryl Lauck at (386) 846-4479.
- NOV. 4 ..... La Salle, Ill., Lodge 2 visit with nursing home members following the regular monthly meeting.

# Join Lodge A18 for a July picnic in Economy park

by DIANE PEOPLES  
Lodge A18 Secretary

**BADEN, Pa.** — SNPJ Lodge A18 is hosting a summer picnic Sunday, July 18, at Shelter 3 in Economy Park, Ambridge, Pa. Members and guests are welcome to attend. Come join us for a day of fun and fraternalism.

Please bring along your favorite covered dish to share. Chicken, pop and rolls will be provided. The afternoon fun will include bingo and a 50/50 drawing, and door prizes will be awarded. SNPJ insurance and annuity information will also be available.

Please contact Lodge President Susan Ramsey at (724) 869-0172 to RSVP or for directions to Economy Park. We hope to see you there!

# Catch a movie with the SNPJ Trailer Court Association

by AMY MAVRICH (138)  
SNPJ Trailer Court Civic Assoc.

**BOROUGH OF SNPJ, Pa.** — R&J Productions (Roland and Joyce Hudson) will be showing movies at the dorm in the SNPJ Recreation Center Trailer Court Saturday, July 3. A G-rated movie will be shown at 6 p.m. followed by the James Cameron movie "Avatar" at 8 p.m. Snacks and soda will be provided.

You do not need to be a member of the SNPJ Trailer Court Civic Association to participate. So, trailer court residents, mark your calendar and come on down to the dorm for a fun-filled evening! Until next time, see 'ya in the Gostilna!

## Have something for Up-and-Coming?

Lodge/Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Event \_\_\_\_\_  
Site \_\_\_\_\_  
If a concert or dance, who is performing? \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Time \_\_\_\_\_  
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- **Thought for the Week** — Be a life long or short, its completeness depends on what it was lived for.

David Starr Jordan



## Parliament tightens the reins on municipalities

**LJUBLJANA (STA)** — In mid-June the Slovenian Parliament approved amendments to the Local Government Act preventing, without exception, the establishment of new municipalities with fewer than 5,000 inhabitants in order to halt further fragmentation of local government in Slovenia.

According to Minister of Local Government and Regional Development Henrik Gjerkes, municipalities in Slovenia vary significantly, in particular in their ability to perform their functions and in financing. Since financing is linked to the number of inhabitants, Gjerkes believes 5,000 inhabitants is an objective limit; municipalities with fewer inhabitants find it difficult to be financially and functionally independent.

The existing legislation already set the 5,000 inhabitants limit, but allowed exceptions of down to 2,000 residents based on geographic, border-related, ethnic, historic or economic reasons. Over 50 percent of the existing 210 municipalities, however, were formed based on those exceptions.

The provision that new municipalities can be established after a local referendum remains unchanged, but the rules of legislative procedure have been made the same as for any other bill.



of the Public Agency for Entrepreneurship and Foreign Investments (JAPTI) into the diplomatic system.

Ministry of the Economy State Secretary Darja Radić presented the activities and programs for the internationalization of the Slovenian economy to the consuls, and Vladimir Gasparič, head of the new Economic Diplomacy Directorate, explained how the consuls can have a bigger role in Slovenian economic diplomacy.

The consuls, who were all happy with the consultation and believe it will help their future work, warned that they often have trouble contacting higher-level diplomats and are not always informed about visits of Slovenian delegations abroad.

Over 50 Slovenian Honorary Consuls learned about the activities of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GZS), the Chamber of Crafts and Small Business (OZS) and JAPTI, and met several Slovenian business executives and tourist industry representatives as part of the four-day consultation.

## Slovenia establishes a Traffic Safety Agency

**LJUBLJANA (STA)** — In mid-June, the Slovenian government agreed to establish the Public Agency for Traffic Safety, a unit that will pool resources from multiple departments currently concerned with road safety.

The agency, which will be launched Sept. 1, will take over road safety tasks currently performed by the interior and transportation ministries and, as of 2012, civil servants who work at administrative driving license units.

Other tasks the agency will perform involve analytical and research work on traffic safety, investigation of major traffic accidents and evaluation of road infrastructure safety. The agency will gradually expand to include rail and maritime transportation safety, the government announced in a press release.

## Heart-kidney transplant a success for Slovenia

**LJUBLJANA (STA)** — Slovenia's main hospital, UKC Ljubljana, achieved another Slovenian first in early March by conducting a successful simultaneous heart-kidney transplantation. UKC Director Simon Vrhunec hailed the procedure as a breakthrough, but warned that financial problems in the health field could curb future advances at the hospital.

Vrhunec told the press in late May that very few health centers around the world can boast of performing a simultaneous transplantation of this nature. In fact, only 15 to 20 such procedures are carried out around the world each year. The procedure saved the life of a 52-year-old male who suffered from both advanced heart failure and chronic kidney failure. Only years ago, nothing could be done for patients suffering from both conditions.

But after undergoing the new procedure in an operation that lasted 10 hours and was completed without complications, the patient can now look forward to leading a more normal life. The patient's two-month recuperation has gone according to plan, and he was recently released from hospital.

Simultaneous heart-kidney transplants have been around for the past 15 to 20 years in advanced countries. The procedure involves the use of organs from the same donor, thereby minimizing the risk of rejection. The life-expectancy of patients undergoing a simultaneous heart-kidney transplant is therefore similar to those who undergo a single transplant.

## Slovenia first to celebrate Blood Donor Day

**LJUBLJANA (STA)** — Slovenians are among the most generous blood donors in the world and were the first to celebrate Blood Donor Day. The number of donors in the country is increasing by the year; over 45,000 Slovenians have donated

blood this year.

During a June 14 press conference marking World Blood Donor Day, Red Cross Slovenia Secretary General Janez Peželj said that the Red Cross' blood reserves cover the country's needs for blood and blood derivatives. The Red Cross has been organizing blood donations in Slovenia for 57 years. "Slovenia was the first country to pay tribute to blood donors on a special day, June 4," Peželj pointed out, adding that this initiative was praised globally.

By June, Slovenia had registered 45,144 blood donors, which is 412 more than in the same period last year. More than 100,000 blood donations have been made over the past eight years.

Every day, Slovenia requires 350 to 400 donors, which means that statistically speaking, someone needs blood every five minutes, Peželj noted. "At the Red Cross, we're emphasizing that Slovenian blood donors do not demand money for their donations and that Slovenian blood is of very high quality; otherwise, our neighboring countries wouldn't be offering money to our donors."

Since this year's World Blood Donor Day was dedicated to promoting blood donations among young people, several campaigns targeted university and secondary school students.

## Kolpa River a European Destination of Excellence

**LJUBLJANA (STA)** — On June 15, the Kolpa River formally received the denomination "European Destination of Excellence." The title was awarded by the European Commission to the tourist attractions along the river in the Osilnica, Kostel, Kocevje, Crnomelj, Semic and Metlika municipalities. According to Nataša Sip of the European Commission Representation in Slovenia, the commission gives great emphasis to the title with the goal of promoting lesser-known destinations.

"The River Kolpa, which runs along the border with Croatia in southern Slovenia, joined the group of 30 European designation holders," the Slovenian Tourist Organization (STO) wrote in a press release. "All these destinations have formed interesting stories and have enriched Slovenian tourism," STO Director Dimitrij Piciga said at the award ceremony.

The awarded joint product, dubbed "Kolpa. Touch the Story," combines what the area has to offer in terms of recreational activities, and cultural and natural history. This latest Slovenian award winner is the third European Destination of Excellence in Slovenia, joining the Soca Valley (west) and the Solčava District (north) which received the titles in 2008 and 2009 respectively.

The European Destinations of Excellence project is one of the key strategic priorities of the STO. Through the use of EU funds to develop sustainable tourism, the organization encourages additional promotion of tourist destinations.

## Slovenia gets a peek at the life of The King

**LJUBLJANA (STA)** — After three years of arrangements, a travelling exhibition of Elvis Presley's personal belongings finally arrived in Ljubljana. Visitors were able to catch a glimpse of the rock 'n roll legend's luxurious life June 9-13 at the Gospodarsko razstavišče Exhibition Center.

After stopping in large cities in Germany, Italy and Switzerland, the several-million-dollar show came to Ljubljana as part of a European tour. The exhibition features Elvis' life through postcards, letters, clothing, furniture, guitars, cars, posters, music and documentaries.

The collection presents some of the highlights of his musical career, such as the microphone and the guitar he used to record his first hit, "That's All Right Mama," with Sun Records in 1954, and the Fender Stratocaster guitar from the film "Viva Las Vegas" from 1964. His military uniform marks his entry in the Army, and even his karate kimono was on display.

Elvis' affinity for glamour cannot be overlooked. The collection thus featured a Cadillac with a 14-carat gold key, and photos of his Graceland estate and of his private plane accented in gold.

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## Justice Minister pays a visit to Washington

**WASHINGTON, D.C. (STA)** — Slovenian Justice Minister Ales Zalar paid a five-day visit to the United States June 16-20. While in Washington, Zalar met with U.S. Attorney General Eric H. Holder to discuss bilateral cooperation in criminal and civil matters, cooperation between the EU and the United States, and the rule of law in Southeastern Europe.

"Considering that both the United States and Slovenia are very active in Southeastern Europe, Zalar and Holder focused on future cooperation and coordination of the countries' activities in the region," the Justice Ministry explained in a press release. "In terms of educating judges and prosecutors, cooperation between the United States and Slovenia has been at a high level, and Zalar's visit represented an opportunity to boost cooperation in this respect," the release reads.

The Slovenian justice minister attended a session of the Committee on International Judicial Relations of the Judicial Conference of the United States and spoke about the rule of law in Southeastern Europe. He also met with representatives of the U.S. State Department and Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy.

## Honorary Consuls turn to economic diplomacy

**BRDOPRIKRANJU (STA)** — Slovenia's honorary consuls abroad gathered for a four-day consultation at Brdo pri Kranju June 15 to learn of the new focus of Slovenian diplomacy — promotion of the economy.

Prime Minister Borut Pahor reiterated in his address that the country will strengthen ties with Germany in its reforms for fighting the crisis. Foreign Minister Samuel Žbogar explained at the opening that Slovenia has reached most of its international goals by obtaining membership in the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), so diplomacy has to focus on the new goal of helping the Slovenian economy abroad and developing tourism.

Pahor added that the economic crisis has revealed the vulnerability of Slovenia's economy. He noted that Slovenia is already preparing a cooperation agreement with Germany, since the two countries have a similar business and cultural mentality, while Germany is also making "steps to stay in shape and keep the EU in shape." To bolster international economic cooperation, Slovenia formed a special Directorate for Economic Diplomacy and Development Cooperation in October 2009, Žbogar pointed out.

Slovenia currently has a network of 54 diplomatic and consular offices with more than 20 economic advisers. According to Žbogar, the new goal is to strengthen this network, which will also be achieved by transferring seven representative offices

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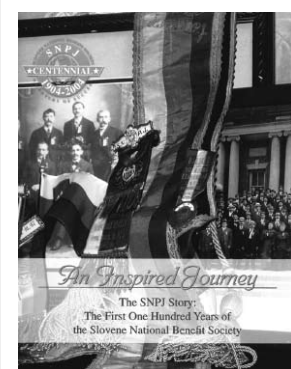
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## Raznoličnost lahko povezuje in bogati vsakogar

**HEADLINE:** Diversity can unite and enrich everybody

**TOPIC:** More than 300 students from across Slovenia participated in the Day of Diversity which was arranged this year by the Nova Gorica High School, one of more than 80 UNESCO schools in Slovenia. With dances, music, theater and art creations, they presented a colorful and interesting program in Bevek Square, which inspired Barbara Miklič Türk, the wife of the Slovenian president.

Več kot 300 učencev in dijakov iz vse Slovenije se je udeležilo dneva raznolikosti, ki ga je tokrat pripravila Gimnazija Nova Gorica, ena od več kot 80 slovenskih šol Unesca. Na Bevkovem trgu so se predstavili s plesom, glasbo, gledališkim in likovnim ustvarjanjem.

Pestro in zanimivo dogajanje pa je navdušilo tudi soprogo predsednika države Barbaro Miklič Türk. "Osebjc šole je čudovito in to se vidi tudi v delih, ki so jih mladi prikazali na prireditvi. Pomembno je, da se v šolah spoznavajo s kulturno različnostjo, jo razumejo in jo sprejemajo. Unesco in Združeni narodi od nekdanj spodbujajo prav k sodelovanju med različnimi narodi, da otroci spoznavajo druge kulture in tako še bolj cenijo lastno. Očitno jim učitelji znajo prebuditi radovednost, tako da lahko mladi ugotovijo, da je vse, kar se v svetu dogaja, drugačno, a hkrati zanimivo," je poudarila. Ana Ogrič, koordinatorka Unesca ASPnet Gimnazije Nova Gorica, pa je povedala, so prišli v goste tudi romunski dijaki in dijaki iz liceja Maksa Fabianija iz sosednje Gorice.

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**HEADLINE:** For the first time they showed their cellar

**TOPIC:** For the very first time the Frangež family from Gornja Radgona introduced to the public their new cellar, in which there is room for 250,000 bottles of classically-produced champagne. The work on the cellar started 10 years ago and is not yet complete. Besides the champagne cellar, they also have a bottling area and cisterns to make champagne by the faster, "charmat" method, as well as a room for wine tasting.

The Frangež family has been making wine and champagne for more than 20 years. Jernej Frangež, his family and a few employees cultivate close to 10 acres of their own vineyards, and during the last few years they have been buying grapes to make their champagnes.

With a stock of 250,000 bottles, and last year's 177,000 bottles of champagne, the Frangež family – besides Radgonske gorice and Janez Istenič from Bizeljsko – ranks among the

three largest champagne producers in Slovenia. They have received seven gold and three large gold medals for their champagnes.

Frangeževi so v Hercegovščaku pri Gornji Radgoni pred kratkim prvič predstavili javnosti svojo novo klet, v kateri je prostora za 250.000 steklenic klasično pridelanih vin. V njej hočejo razvijati tudi turizem. Še ne povsem dokončano, 1300 kvadratnih metrov veliko klet, so gradili deset let, vanjo pa so brez opreme vložili približno milijon evrov.

V njej imajo poleg šampanjske kleti tudi polnilnico in cisterne za pridelavo penin po hitrejši, charmat metodi, ter prostor za degustacije. Po besedah Jerneja Frangeža lahko zmogljivost šampanjske kleti, če bi bilo treba, hitro podvojijo.

Frangeževi se s pridelovanjem vina in penin tudi za prodajo ukvarjajo šele dobrih 20 let, čeprav jim je pokojni oče Štefan posvetil večino življenja. Kot mlad agronom se je že med drugo svetovno vojno zaposlil pri začetniku pridelovanja penin v Sloveniji Clottardu Bouvieru v

Gornji Radgoni, po vojni pa je bil dolga leta vodilni in tudi prvi mož podjetja Radgonske gorice, ki je nastalo iz Bouvierovih nacionaliziranih kleti in drugega premoženja. Sedaj sin Jernej Frangež z družino in nekaj zaposlenimi obdeluje približno pet hektarov lastnih vinogradov, že nekaj let pa grozdje za predelavo in pridelavo penin tudi dokupuje.

Z zalogo 250.000 steklenic in lanskimi 177.000 steklenicami penin se Frangeževi poleg Radgonskih goric in Janeza Isteniča z Bizeljskega uvrščajo med tri največje pridelovalce penin v Sloveniji.

Doslej so na ocenjevanjih v Ljubljani, Gornji Radgoni, Zagrebu in Splitu za svoje penine dobili sedem zlatih in tri velike zlate medalje, sedaj pa čakajo na rezultate ocenjevanja v Londonu. Od uspešnosti tega ocenjevanja bo odvisna pot njihovih penin na trg Velike Britanije, poleg Japonske, Nizozemske, Švice, Nemčije, Avstrije, Italije in Hrvaške, kamor že prodajajo, pa zadnje čase skušajo prodreti tudi v Romunijo.

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## Razstavljalcev vse več, prostora zmanjkuje

**HEADLINE:** There are more and more exhibitors, there is lack of space

**TOPIC:** "Despite the recession, we can be thankful that the core of former exhibitors remained and a few new ones joined because they see opportunities at the fair for more successful marketing," said Primorski Fair Director Matjaž Turk.

Two hundred exhibitors participated in the fair, most from Slovenia, and every year there are more exhibitors from Italy. The exhibitors

introduced home furnishings, telecommunications technology (mainly mobile phones), bathroom furnishings, households items, cars and other goods.

Admission to the Bonifika Hall was free. Besides the exhibition, they arranged five professional lectures and 20 craftsmen from across Slovenia were introduced. They also offered Mediterranean food and set up a Wine Avenue where 21 guests from Italy were introduced.

A special feature of the

fair was the Sonček Festival (Sun Festival) for children. The children were able to donate their toys that they don't use anymore, for which they were rewarded. Last year they collected two vans of toys and books which were donated to the Debeli Rtič Youth Health Resort.

"Kljub recesiji se lahko pohvalimo, da je jedro prejšnjih razstavljalcev ostalo, pridružilo se jim je še nekaj novih, ki na sejmu vidijo priložnost za svojo uveljavitev in uspešnejše trženje," je povedal direktor Primorskega sejma Matjaž Turk.

Ne sejmu se je predstavilo približno 200 razstavljalcev, večinoma iz notranjosti Slovenije, čedalje več pa tudi iz Italije. Predstavili so opremo za dom, stanovanja in hiše, telekomunikacijsko tehnologijo, predvsem mobilno telefonijo, stavbno pohištvo,

kopalniško opremo, gospodinjinske pripomočke, turistično ponudbo, avtomobile in drugo. Na sejmu so sodelovala tudi nepremičninska in gradbena podjetja.

Vstop v dvorano Bonifika je bil brezplačen. Poleg domačinov sejem obišče čedalje več ljudi iz hrvaškega dela Istre in Italije. Pripravili so pet strokovnih predavanj, predstavilo se je 20 rokodelcev iz vse Slovenije, ponudili so t.i. mediteransko kuhinjo in postavili avenijo vina, na kateri se je predstavilo 21 gosotv iz Italije. Posebni del sejma je bil Sončkov festival, namenjen otrokom. Na prireditve so znova lahko prinesli igrače, ki jih ne uporabljajo več, in so bili za to nagradjeni. Lani so zbrali dva kombija igrač in knjig, ki so jih podarili Mladinskemu zdravilišču in okrevališču na Debekem Rtiču.

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## V tem letu 12.868 novih sadik

**HEADLINE:** This year 12,868 new saplings

**TOPIC:** For the third year, the Vipava Agricultural Cooperative and Fructal Ajdovščina are taking part in the renovation of orchards in Goriško area and Vipava Valley. In 2008 they jointly planted 5,000 saplings, last year 16,000, and this year Fructal will co-finance the planting of 12,868 peach saplings.

Peach plantations cover 13 percent of all fruit areas in Slovenia, and 75 percent of all peaches are grown in the Primorsko region. In 2005

the average age of the peach plantations was 10 years. For simple reproduction and maintaining the output of the plantations, they would have to replant between 75 and 100 acres of orchards annually, or at least 60 acres in the Vipava Valley and Goriško area.

Kmetijska zadruga Vipava in Ajdovski Fructal že tretje leto sodelujeta pri obnovi sadovnjakov na Goriškem in v Vipavski dolini. Leta 2008 sta skupaj posadila 5000, lani 16.000, letos bo Fructal sofinanciral 12.868 breskovih nasadov. Aneks k pogodbi

o sofinanciranju letošnje obnove in pomladitve nasadov sta v Sadjarskem centru Bilje podpisala predsednik uprave Fructala Drago Kavšek in predsednik Kmetijske zadruge Vipava Janez Valič. Breskovi nasadi zasedajo 13 odstotkov vseh sadjarskih površin v Sloveniji, od tega je več kot tri četrtine breskev pridelanih prav na Primorskem.

Iz registra sadovnjakov pri ministrstvu za kmetijstvo, gozdarstvo in prehrano je razvidno, da je bila leta 2005 povprečna starost breskovih nasadov deset let, zaradi skromnega pomlajevanja pa se je do danes povečala

že na 12 do 13 let. Trent staranja breskovih nasadov je tako hudo problematičen, saj ima kar 52 odstotkov nasadov več kot deset let in so nujno potrebni obnove.

Zaradi visoke povprečne starosti sadovnjakov so nove sadike zelo dobrodošle, letos pa naj bi z njimi v Vipavski dolini in na Goriškem zasadili okrog 13 hektarov površin.

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**ZAPOR:** Upravnik zapora pride v celico in reče Črnogorcu: "Zakaj ne vstaneš, ko vstopim?" Črnogorec odgovori: "Sodnik mi je rekel, da moram dve leti odsediti!"

## V Seulu opazili slovenske inovatorke

**HEADLINE:** In Seoul they noticed Slovenian innovators

**TOPIC:** At the recent KIWIE - 2010 International Female Innovation Fair, at which more than 300 innovators from 30 countries participated, five Slovenian inventors received a prestigious international award.

Inventor Erika Drobnič from Železniki received gold and silver medals for two of her inventions. She took out a patent for furniture that "grows with children" – when a child outgrows the furniture, it can be taken apart and furniture for older children can be put together from the same elements. Drobnič also invented a cradle on wheels that can be moved from room to room,

and when it gets too small for a baby, it can be taken apart and from those pieces a small table, two chairs and a basket for toys can be made.

Drobnič also received an award for a child's bed that can be used up to the age of 4, and then it can change its functionality and be used as a single bed. When a child outgrows this bed, a desk can be assembled from its component parts.

Pet slovenskih inovatork je na nedavnem mednarodnem ženskem sejmu inovacij KIWIE 2010, na katerem je sodelovalo več kot 300 inovatork iz 30 držav, prejelo prestižne mednarodne nagrade. Za pohištvene inovacije Erike Drobnič iz Železnikov so presenetljivo hitro prišle tudi ponudbe domačih proizvajal-

cev za serijsko izdelavo.

Inovatorka Erika Drobnič iz Železnikov je bila nagrajena z zlato in srebrno medaljo za dva izuma. Patentirala je pohištvo, ki "raste z otrokom": ko ga otrok preraste, se ga da preprosto razstaviti in iz tistih elementov sestaviti pohištvo za večje otroke. Drobničeva je v Seulu dobila zlato medaljo za zibelko, ki jo je poimenovala "Dve v eni", ker spreminja funkcionalnost glede na otrokovo starost. "Ideja je prišla iz lastnih potreb, saj sem za svojega otroka hotela kupiti zibelko, vendar so precej drage in jih lahko uporabljaj le kratak čas. Začela sem razmišljati, kako bi uporabnost zibelke podaljšala, in nastal je izdelek, ki je v prvi fazi navadna zibelka na kolesih, ki jo preprosto prestavljaš po stanovanju, ko pa jo otrok

peraste, jo razstaviš in iz zibelke dobiš majhno mizico, dva otroška stola in košaro za igrače. Uporabnost izdelka se podaljša za nadaljnjih od štiri do pet let, kar pomeni, da ta kos otroškega pohištva lahko uporabljamo okoli šest let," je povedala Drobničeva. Ponudba za serijsko izdelovanje zibelke je prišla iz novomeškega družinskega podjetja, saj si inovatorka prizadeva, da bi bili njeni izdelki izdelani v Sloveniji. Drobničeva je bila v Seulu nagrajena tudi za otroško posteljico, ki se uporablja do četrtega leta otrokove starosti, potem pa podobno, kot zibelka spremeni funkcionalnost in postane samostojna posteljica oziroma pograd. Ko otroci tudi to prerastejo, se iz komponenta sestavi pisalna miza.

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## Češnje - rdeče od zdravja

**HEADLINE:** Cherries - red from health

**TOPIC:** One of the first fresh spring fruits is an excellent stimulant and medicine. Experts recommend that when in season, we should eat at least a half pound of cherries a day. The best cherries are those just picked from the tree. Research shows that cherries rank seventh among the healthiest foods.

The land of cherries is Asia Minor, the region between the Black and Caspian seas; otherwise, they grow anywhere in the world that has a moderate climate. Cherries belong to the family of stone fruits, and they grow on a medium-sized tree.

Cherries are so healthy they should be grown in every garden, even the smallest. They are a very sensitive fruit and they don't toler-

ate loading and reloading very well. In contrast with other fruits, they don't ripen any more after they are picked. Cherry skins will crack on rainy days, which will cause even faster decay. In the refrigerator they can last a few days. Cherries can also be frozen.

Cherries have many vitamins and minerals that can strengthen the immune system, and their calcium has a positive effect on the nervous system, and aids in healthy teeth and bones.

Eden izmed prvih svežih pomladnih sadežev je odlično poživilo in zdravilo. Strokovnjaki priporočajo, naj jih med sezono pojemo vsaj četrt kilograma na dan. Najokusnejše so seveda sveže nabrane, neposredno z drevesa. Raziskave so dokazale, da sodijo češnje na sedmo mesto med

najbolj zdravimi živili. Lahko jih uživamo kot samostojno jed ali pa jih pripravimo v različnih sladica, solatah ali osvežilnih napitkih. Meja je le naša domišljija.

Domovina češenj je Mala Azija, ozemlje med Črnim in Kaspijskim morjem. Sicer pa uspevajo povsod po svetu v zmernem podnebjju. Sodijo v družino koščičastega sadja, glede na barvo pa poznamo blede kremasto rumene, temno rdeče in črne. Okus je lahko sladek ali kisel, odvisno od vrste. Ločimo hrustavke s čvrstim mesom in srčkaste z mehkejšim. Zrastejo na srednje velikem drevesu. Spomladi so polne belih do svetlo rožnatih cvetov, prve plodove pa lahko obiramo že v začetku junija.

Če bi se zvedali, kako zdrave so češnje, bi rasle na vsakem, še tako majhnem vrtu. So zelo občutljivo sadje,

zato slabo prenašajo prekladanje sem ter tja. Tiste, ki jih ne pojedete takoj, shranite na hladnem in jih pustite čim bolj pri miru. V nasprotju z nekaterimi drugimi vrstami sadja po obiranju ne zorijo več, zato jih morate potrgati z drevesa v fazi popolne zrelosti, če želite uživati v polnosti okusa.

Pri nakupu morate paziti, da imajo sadeži celo, nepoškodovano lupino in da niso nagniti. V deževnem vremenu so češnje pogosto razpokane, kar povzroči še hitrejšo pokvarljivost.

V hladilniku ali v zelo hladni kleti jih lahko shranjujete nekaj dni. Za daljše shranjevanje je najbolj priporočljivo zamrzovanje celih ali izkoščičenih plodov (tako se ohrani največ vitaminov, rudnin in aktivnih encimov), vlaganje v kompot, kuhanje marmelade, lahko pa jih tudi sušite.

Češnje čistijo telo, saj spodbujajo jetra, ledvice, razgibajo črevo in pomagajo pri izločanju. V nekaterih študijah so ugotovili, da posebna snov za kar 50 odstotkov zmanjša nevarnost nastanka raka. Spodbujajo delovanje ledvic ter izločanje vode in toksinov iz telesa. Blažijo revmatska obolenja sklepov, lajšajo težave z žolcem in znižujejo raven holesterola. Veliko vitaminov in mineralov krepi imunski sistem, kalcij pa pomembno vpliva na živčevje, zdrave zobe in kosti.

DELO

**Katehet vpraša: "Kaj se naučimo iz Jezusove prilike o delavcih v vinogradu, ko vsak dobi enako plačo, ne glede na to, ali je prišel na delo zgodaj zjutraj ali je delal samo eno uro?" - "Da nikoli ne smemo iti na delo prezgodaj!"**

## The SNPJ Farm 2010 Dance Schedule

**SNPJ Farm, 10946 Heath Road, Kirtland, Ohio**

off Chardon Road (Route 6), three miles east of Route 306  
For information phone (440) 256-3423 or (440) 943-1191

July 3	<b>Summer Dance</b> Frank Stanger Orchestra	1:30 to 7:30
July 4	<b>Cleveland Federation Picnic</b> Osminka Ansambel (from Slovenia)	3:30 to 7:30
July 11	<b>Strugglers Lodge 614</b> Dan Peters	3:30 to 7:30
July 17	<b>Steak Roast/Polka Dance Benefit</b> Dave Zmek and Jeff Pecon Orchestra	12:30 to 6
July 18	<b>V-Boj Lodge 53 Picnic</b> Jeff Pecon Orchestra	3:30 to 7:30
July 25	<b>Naprej Lodge 5 Picnic</b> Al Battistelli	3:30 to 7:30
Aug. 1	<b>SNPJ Farm Board Picnic</b> Wayne Tomsic Orchestra	3:30 to 7:30
Aug. 8	<b>Comrades Lodge 566 Picnic</b> Don Wojtila Band	3:30 to 7:30
Aug. 15	<b>Utopians Lodge 604 Picnic</b> Bob Kravos Band	3:30 to 7:30
Aug. 16	<b>SNPJ Convention Dinner Dance</b> Don Wojtila Band with Christine Hibbs	6 to 10
Aug. 22	<b>CAL Picnic</b> Don Wojtila Band	3:30 to 7:30
Aug. 25	<b>Cleveland Pensioners Picnic</b> Wayne Tomsic Orchestra	2:30 to 5:30
Aug. 29	<b>Mirni Raj Lodge 142 Picnic</b> Jeff Pecon Orchestra	3:30 to 7:30
Sept. 5	<b>SNPJ Farm Board Picnic</b> Dan Peters	3:30 to 7:30
Sept. 6	<b>End of Summer Dance</b> Wayne Tomsic and Frank Stanger orchs.	3:30 to 7:30
Sept. 12	<b>Ladies Auxiliary Picnic</b> Joey Tomsick Orchestra	3:30 to 7:30
Sept. 15	<b>Slovenian Sausage Festival</b> TBA	1 to 8
Sept. 19	<b>Friends of the Farm Picnic</b> Don Wojtila Band	3:30 to 7:30

Dancers enjoy the finest in Cleveland-style polkas and waltzes at the SNPJ Farm. The Farm features the best-known names in polka music, plus down-home dining. Gates open at noon. Dinners served Sundays from 2 to 4 p.m. with music and dancing from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. Sunday picnic admission is \$6. Rent the SNPJ Farm for picnics, anniversaries or other special functions! For more information phone (440) 256-3423 or (440) 943-1191.

## Lodge 2 celebrates spring with a June luncheon

by DELORES SPELICH  
Lodge 2 Secretary

**LA SALLE, Ill.** — Summertime: the older we get, the faster we run! We attended the rainy Memorial Day service in the SNPJ section of Woodlawn Cemetery in Chicago. By the time we rushed to dinner and ordered food, the electricity had gone out in the restaurant so we ate and visited in the semi-darkness. Had we all been 50 years younger, we would have called it romantic.

After leaving the restaurant, we came to a standstill one mile up the road. There were police all over and we noticed there was no traffic in the opposite lane. We later found out that it was President Obama's entourage on their way to the Hines VA Hospital to visit veterans and their relatives. His scheduled speech at Lincoln Veterans Cemetery was canceled due to a severe lightning storm.

The following Sunday we joined the Doerks, Cretniks, Gostes and Bogolins at the Lemont Cultural Center for a delicious Slovenian appreciation dinner. Vince Rigler (449) strolled the room playing his button box and we sang along to our favorite songs. It seems us folks meet to visit and enjoy dinners quite often.

James Butler "Wild Bill"

Hickok was born in a small town a few miles from here called Homer, now known as Troy Grove. This town of 500 recently had a huge birthday gathering in his honor. He was born May 27, 1837, and went west to Kansas in 1856 where he was a constable for several years. During the Civil War he was a wagonmaster, scout and spy, earning him the nickname Wild Bill Hickok for his daring and courageous actions.

In Kansas he was a scout for the 7th and 10th calvary regiments from 1867-1870. He was elected city marshal and sheriff of Ellis City in 1869, and later became marshal of Abilene. In 1873 he joined Buffalo Bill's theatrical combination, but hated the false heroics and returned west. In March 1876 he married circus owner and performer Agnes Thatcher in Cheyenne. Leaving her in Cincinnati, Wild Bill went west to the gold fields hoping to strike it rich in the Dakota Territory. While playing cards in Nuttal & Mann's Saloon No. 10 in Deadwood, Jack McCall shot him from behind. McCall was hanged. Hickok was also called "Gentlemen Jim" and "Prince of Pistoliers," but the number of people he actually killed may be exaggerated. Hollywood westerns picked up on his type of heroism.

On May 17, Elmer and I celebrated our 60th wedding anniversary. Our children, Brian and Lynn, and their families surprised us with a dinner and gathering of immediate relatives. Wow, were we ever surprised!

On the morning of our spring luncheon, Elmer and I took our daily walk through downtown Oglesby. Over 200 converted old time tractors lined both sides of the street. One was from 1900, and most were over 50 years old. Enthusiasts came from eight states including Arizona and Pennsylvania. All tractors were in running condition and traveled to various towns.

We were pleased to welcome a good turnout for our luncheon. Door prizes were

awarded to Rudy Kovacevic, Lefty Novak, Rose Prey and senior member John Rancin-gay whose daughter, Barbara Lyons, attended with him.

It was good to learn that Gene Jakse is on the mend and going to therapy regularly. Several members have passed away since our last meeting. Our sincere sympathy to Vic Mozina's wife and family from Oglesby. Also, our condolences to Ed Volk's wife Mary and their children in Peru. We extend our sympathy to Leigh Vandergraft's family in Metamora as well upon her recent passing.

Enjoy the summer activities! We hope to see you at our Sept. 13 meeting at the Dickinson House in Oglesby beginning 1 p.m.



Lodge 2 members enjoyed a fraternal luncheon June 7.

## News from Here & There

By GRACE DOERK  
Lodge 559

**CHICAGO** — A total of 10 retirees from the Burr Ridge SNPJ Home Office met June 8 at Olive Garden. We enjoy meeting every other month. It's been almost 17 years since the Home Office moved to Imperial, Pa., but we survivors keep in contact and reminisce over our years at SNPJ.

Our next outing is planned Aug. 10 at the Warsaw Restaurant. Thank you, Margie, for the Fanny May candy bars. We paid tribute to Fran Bogolin who recently passed away; Fran attended most of our retiree gatherings.

Slovene Pensioners' Club members met June 9. Besides the regular order of business, Grace Doerk informed members of senior benefits. Grace also talked about the status of Illinois as the second worst state in the union, following only California. The club will host an indoor picnic July 14. Those who bring a dish to share won't have to pay the \$3 admission fee.

Lillian Petrovich (559) recently visited New York to spend some time with her son. We celebrated Ed and Sharon Kovack's 44th wedding anniversary.

Otto and I attended the pensioner's meeting in Joliet, Ill. I'm trying to pick up ideas here, with the help of Illinois Minority Leader Tom Cross' office, to start a pensioner's organization in Plainfield, Ill. When we first moved to Plainfield there were only 3,000 people, and now we have

nearly 35,000.

I thoroughly enjoy serving on the advisory committee to Tom Cross, as I am informed monthly on the latest in Illinois politics. Never did I dream of taking an interest, but I've thoroughly enjoyed it.

Our sincere sympathy to Frank Michalek (559) who recently lost his brother, Bob. Thanks so much for stopping by the house with pictures of the former SNPJ office on 27th and Lawndale as it is today. They brought back so many memories. By the way, we found out only last week that Frank was out of the hospital in only four days following open-heart surgery and was already planning to attend a party. Good for you, Frank.

Slovenia is growing in confidence at the World Cup, having beat Algeria, tying the United States and now getting ready for a match with England.

The free bicentennial concerts have started in Joliet. I feel like I'm in Grant Park when attending these concerts. Going to a neighboring city is, by far, better than going to downtown Chicago. I can't remember when I last visited Chicago.

I just received the "USPEH Newsletter," a publication by the United Slovenes to Preserve the Slovene Ethnic Heritage. It's interesting to read all about the many activities held in the Milwaukee area. I was excited to read that the Singing Slovenes will perform at the West Allis Public Library Friday, Oct. 22. They are one of my favorite Slovenian singing groups.

Pioneer Lodge 559 members held their regular monthly meeting June 11. We were happy to have Kaitlin Chiapetta; her brother, Michael; their mother, Melanie; Matiasek; and their grandmother, Emily

Matiasek; in attendance. Kaitlin is in the SNPJ Scholarship Program and attended the Young Adult Conference at the SNPJ Recreation Center. We thank Melanie for treating everyone to a drink.

We heard the minutes and the financial reports from Secretary Anita Vitous, who also read correspondence from National Secretary Karen Pintar. We were informed that there are 147 registered delegates who will attend the SNPJ convention in August. We were also informed about the meeting of Federation delegates.

A moment of silence was observed for Tekla Zordani who passed away at the age of 84. Victor Glavich was our 50-year member for the month, Tom Culkar our 60-year member, and Rosalie Sternisha, Louis Smolich and Frances Koraly our 70-year members.

Otto Doerk reported on the memorial services held in the SNPJ section of Woodlawn Cemetery. The Chicago Federation will sponsor an Aug. 22 dinner dance at the Slovenian Catholic Center in Lemont. The next Federation meeting is planned July 23.

Members discussed a few of the proposed SNPJ bylaw and resolution changes. It was reported that Frank Michalek, Clara Cretnik and Mary Lou Nugent were on the sick list. President Jean Cherway informed members of local event dates. We celebrated the birthdays of Molly Rak and Mary Vrhovnik, and Anita Vitous won the \$10 attendance award.

It seems like everything we read in the newspapers is negative. It sure would be more desirable if some positive articles were published. The world seems to be in such turmoil, so we don't need more in our daily lives.

### CORRECTIONS

The following is a correction to the SNPJ National Board meeting minutes from the March 26, 2010, meeting which were published in the June 2 issue:

Under Sections 6 and 27 - Authority of Convention Delegates and Fund Categories, the minutes should have read as follows:

Bro. LAWRENCE explains that the language is outdated in Section 27 in regard to the funds. We are mandated to follow certain accounting requirements, and the set up of the funds in Section 27 no longer follows those guidelines. This is a "clean-up" of the Bylaw. A motion is made by Bro. LAWRENCE, second by Bro. CLIFFORD, to delete the word "several" from (4), line 4, of Section 6, and to delete Section 27 in its entirety and replace it with "The Society shall maintain funds as may be necessary for efficient and equitable management of Society's funds and for compliance with insurance statutes and insurance department regulations of those states in which the Society is licensed. The National Board may, if it deems necessary, establish additional funds."

Also, in the article "Lodge 53 readies for another fun summer" published in the June 16 issue, the Lodge 53 70-year members should have read as follows: Anton Sadar, Helen Sosic, Henry Skarbez, Lillian Oblak, Rose McNamara, Lillian Hirz, Florence Allen and William Oblak.

## PROSVETA Crossword Independence Day (#1310) by StatePoint Media

### ACROSS

1. "\_\_\_\_\_ Trick" rock band
6. Martha to George Washington
9. Famous Himalayan
13. A.K.A Myanmar
14. Quaker grain
15. Cupid's target
16. Mr. in Mexico
17. How many if by sea?
18. Desert wanderer's hope
19. 1990s, e.g.
21. "The Star-Spangled Banner," e.g.
23. Ralph Waldo Emerson's July 4th tribute
24. Ticket receipt
25. Any high mountain
28. Other than what's implied
30. Taylor Swift: "You \_\_\_\_\_ With Me"
35. Apply to a surface
37. Old Glory, e.g.
39. Suspend from school, office
40. Initial stake, as in poker
41. Shinbone
43. Central Asian desert
44. Legendary soccer goalkeeper Sepp
46. Cans
47. Done on eBay
48. Wicked
50. Result of contacting poison oak?
52. Short for Sally
53. "All You \_\_\_\_\_ Is Love"

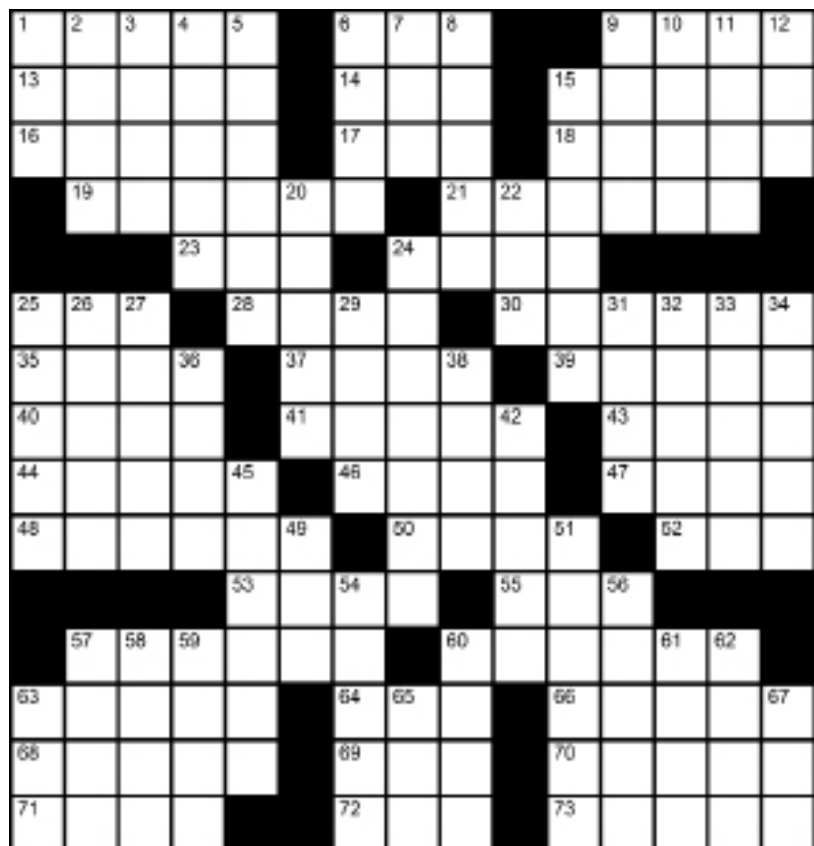
55. Longest division of time
57. "God Bless America" composer
60. Be present
63. Indian monetary unit
64. Solemn pledge
66. The American \_\_\_\_\_ offers hope for a better, richer, happier life
68. It's on the bottom of Favre's shoe
69. Famous hockey player Bobby
70. Rounded like an egg
71. In bed
72. The Delaware River was this when Washington crossed it.
73. Gain access to

### DOWN

1. "Survivor" network
2. Imbued with color
3. White-tailed sea eagle
4. It merged with BP in 1998
5. Community celebration
6. Tiny piece of anything
7. Uncooked
8. Type of weasel
9. An affirmative response
10. "At \_\_\_\_\_, soldier!"
11. Partial haircut
12. "\_\_\_\_\_ a Beautiful Day"
15. Situation ripe for development
20. Home of blue pottery in the Netherlands
22. Essence or gist

24. Pelican or albatross, e.g.
25. Declaration of Independence signer who became a President
26. Hawaiian veranda
27. Russian ex-president
29. Incision
31. The Rockettes are famous for these
32. Double-reed woodwinds
33. Harp-shaped math symbol
34. Cooking device of choice on July 4th
36. It's what's for dinner?
38. Gershon or Lollobrigida, e.g.
42. It's found on a balance sheet
45. Streamlet
49. "Big Island" flower necklace
51. Popular food on the 4th
54. Short stanza at end of poem
56. Impulse transmitter
57. Tulip's early stage
58. D'Artagnan's weapon
59. Every citizen should do it to the U.S. Constitution
60. Not functioning properly
61. Straight whiskey, e.g.
62. Factual information
63. Major record label
65. Tolkien's Ogre-like creature
67. "When Harry \_\_\_\_\_ Sally..."

The solution to puzzle #1310 will run in the July 14 issue.



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# Badger Jabber

by BOB SMOLE  
Lodge 584

**MILWAUKEE** — Milwaukee summer balina play has started and is going strong. We have an additional team entered this year, bringing our number of teams to 11. The interest seems to be growing and is welcomed.

The league plays each Monday at West Allis Veterans Park, S. 70th and W. National Ave. There are two shifts, one starting at 6 p.m. and the second at 7 p.m. Come on out to watch, learn and enjoy... you may be stimulated enough to want to get a team together for next year's season.

The competition is already hot and heavy as teams take to the courts, all in good fun and sportsmanship. Voices may get loud as each team discusses who is closer to the "balinca," then out comes the tape measures, measuring sticks and strings to determine the point winners. It's all in good fun and enjoyed by all participants. The league will run until the beginning of September, so if you care to come and watch, you are welcome to do so.

The 2010 SNPJ Tony Mlinar Sr. Memorial Golf Outing is history. And, guess what? We weren't rained out this year! Almost, but thank goodness we were spared for a change. The past two years we weren't that lucky.

As the beautiful golden sun broke over the eastern horizon June 19, a total of 76 anxious, bright-eyed golfers awaited the signal from the starter to proceed to their assigned starting holes for the shotgun start. The rules were reviewed, and they were off.

An early shotgun start of 7:30 a.m. and a scramble format guaranteed faster play. At the turn, between the ninth and 10th holes, the golfers enjoyed a Slovenian sausage sandwich to replenish their energy to continue. As the golfers finished the 18th hole, they all received

a prize, so everyone was a winner. A few special prizes were also awarded.

One incident that quickly spread from the seventh hole — the target hole for the SNPJ \$5,000 hole-in-one contest — was that someone had shot a hole-in-one. Well, yes and no!

While it was true that Ron Pape hit his first-ever hole-in-one, there was a technicality. Unfortunately, one of the individuals did not show up for the foursome that Ron was playing in. Under normal rules for a scramble, that vacant position is rotated among the three players in order to get a tournament score. So when Ron shot his first-ever hole-in-one, he was taking his second shot at the green in the vacancy position. The hole-in-one contest rules state that each player can have only one try at the target hole. Unfortunately for Ron, he holed his second shot at the green; therefore, it was not recognized for the prize.

However, we are very happy for and proud of Ron Pape for this wonderful achievement that is coveted by all golfers and actually accomplished by only a few. Congratulations to Ron. Ron is also a member of the Milwaukee Balina League.

It was an exciting day at the New Berlin Hills Golf Course, and after two years of weather-related cancellations, we finally completed the SNPJ Tony Mlinar Sr. Memorial Golf Outing. For your future reference, the 2011 SNPJ Tony Mlinar Sr. Memorial Golf Outing has been scheduled at New Berlin Hill Golf Course for Saturday, June 18.

Bro. Tony Gorenc (764) let me know that he and Ferd Bashell will be playing at Triglav Park for their Mission Picnic Sunday, July 18. The day begins with Mass at 11 a.m. in the outdoor chapel, followed by dinners for purchase (barbecue chicken or Slovenian sausage).

Bro. Gorenc is an accomplished accordion player, well known in the Milwaukee area, who plays a Hohner accordion that he transported back and forth from Slovenia to be refurbished. His accordion is equipped with a European

"Musette" sound that is very special. Come enjoy the picnic and dance to an afternoon of music that will make you feel good all over. I'm sure you will enjoy the day, the park, the food and the music.

Bro. Frank Murn (764), a local Slovenian-born lawyer, button box player and former judge, will open his prairie-style home and 165 acres in Mukwonago, Wis., for 100 people to tour. Bro. Murn enjoys sharing his art collections, his home and his farm with groups connected with the arts, such as the Milwaukee Art Museum and the UWM Slovenian Arts Program. If interested in taking this tour, contact Sis. Judy Price at (414) 543-2399 for more information and cost.

The date of the Badger Lodge Family Picnic that I mentioned in my last article has been set for Sunday, Aug. 8. The picnic will be held in Picnic Area #1 and 1A at Root River Parkway. Enter at park entrance off of S. 92nd St. and W. College Ave., or at the S. 76th St. park entrance.

The picnic will begin at 11 a.m. and run until 4 p.m. Food and drinks will be available after noon. A donation of \$5 per adult Badger Lodge 584 member in good standing must be paid in advance. Youth members will be admitted free of charge. The donation will cover a portion of the park rental fees and part of the food and drink expenses.

This is a family-style picnic for socializing and acquainting or re-acquainting yourself with other members of the Badger Lodge. The committee is asking for advance registration and payment in order to get a number for food preparations and to avoid monetary exchange at the picnic. You will receive a wristband for attendance.

An informational flyer will be mailed to all Badger Lodge members, along with the advance RSVP form. These flyers will be mailed very soon, so watch for yours. If for some reason you do not receive one, please contact me at (262) 242-6204 or Bro. Tim Donovan at (414) 817-0192.

The picnic committee is composed of Brothers Tim

Donovan, Bob Smole and Tony Mlinar, and Sis. Mary Donovan. The Badger Lodge does not want to discourage other SNPJ Lodges or their members from attending this social family picnic — you are all welcome to attend. If you would like to attend, we are asking for an \$8 donation per adult non-Badger Lodge member to cover expenses. Here again, this must be done on an advance registration/payment basis, so please contact Bro. Tim Donovan at (414) 817-0192 or me at (262) 242-6204. Additional information will appear in future "Badger Jabber" columns.

A fun-filled night of music from the 1950s is planned for your enjoyment. St. John the Evangelist 65 KSKJ will host "Four Guyz in Dinner Jackets" Saturday, Sept. 25, at St. John's the Evangelist Church, 8500 W. Coldspring Road, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The cost will be \$20 per person and refreshments will be available. Contact Mici Bregant at (414) 543-6695

Another date to note on your calendar is Friday, Oct. 22, when the Singing Slovenes from Duluth, Minn., will perform in concert, sponsored by the Slovenian Arts Program, beginning at 7 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist Church Hall, 8500 W. Cold Spring Road. You can contact Sis. MaryCay Freiberg at (414) 778-1464 for additional details and tickets.

Are you interested in a Slovenian sing-a-long? The Slovenian Arts Council, under the direction of Delores Ivanchich, will be conducting this event in the Constitution Room at the West Allis Public Library. These sessions will be held on Thursdays, July 15 and Aug. 19, at 7 p.m. Phone Delores Ivanchich at (414) 529-2918 should you require additional information.

The USPEH Chorus will perform in concert at St. John's as well Nov. 28. Admission to this performance will be \$7, which will include a reception following the performance.

Badger Lodge Vice President Sis. Fannie Smole called the regular meeting of Badger Lodge 584 to order at 7:30

p.m. Thursday, June 17, in the absence of President Tim Donovan. Secretary/Treasurer Bro. Jeff Mlaker was also absent. Both he and Bro. Donovan were vacationing.

The Lodge welcomed Sis. Louise Spirewka, who has been interested in renewing her acquaintances and reminiscing. She was re-introduced to our Lodge through a friend, Josephine Schmidt, and the "Badger Jabber" articles. I hope to see you at future meetings, Sis. Spirewka, and you should now be getting your copy of PROSVETA in the mail.

Bro. Tony Mlinar gave a report of the SNPJ Tony Mlinar Sr. Memorial Golf Outing, which was played Saturday, June 19. Bro. Smole gave a brief report regarding the Badger Lodge Family Picnic scheduled Sunday, Aug. 8. It was announced that the volunteer committee would meet after the regular meeting was

adjourned.

Attendance awards were won by Sis. Fannie Smole and Bro. Tony Mlinar Jr. Lodge members broke into song to help Bro. Bob Smole celebrate his birthday.

Be sure to attend the next regular Badger Lodge 584 meeting Thursday, July 15, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Church Hall, 7929 W. Lincoln Ave. This would be the way to get first-hand information regarding SNPJ activities and the upcoming Badger Lodge Family Picnic. Perhaps you are a member like Sis. Spirewka and would like to get back into the swing of things. Come join us and participate in the plans.

Looking ahead, Thursday, Aug. 19, will be the date for the regular August meeting of Badger Lodge 584 — "same Bat time, same Bat station" — 7:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Church Hall, 7929 W. Lincoln Ave.

## best wishes to our Outlived Members

### Longtime member, generous aunt took in family



Sis. NELLIE STRITOF (566)

**EUCLID, Ohio** — Sis. Nellie Stritof of Lodge 566 has outlived the life of her insurance policy.

Sis. Stritof was born in South Heights, Pa., a suburb of Pittsburgh, on July 9, 1914, to Joseph and Frances Cimperman. The family moved to Sharon, Pa., where Nellie lived until her marriage to the late Anthony "Tony" Stritof of Cleveland. Tony was the printer and co-owner of the Slovenian paper *Enakoprovnost* (Equality). They didn't have any children, so Nellie was generous in taking in her nieces and nephews when they were in their 20s to help them get their start.

Nellie enjoyed gardening, golf, silversmithing and hand crafts such as needle point. She was a manicurist for 35 years at Helen Milner Salon in Shaker Square, Cleveland, until she retired at age 75.

Sis. Stritof had five siblings. Brothers Frank Cimperman and Joseph Cimperman, and sister Jean Yaklich are deceased. Surviving are Mollie Clovesko, 98, of Pepper Pike, Ohio, and Frances Teacher, 94, of Yukon, Pa. Nellie lived with her niece, Jeanne Walsh, in Spring Branch, Texas, from 2005 until 2009. She presently resides at Kirkwood Manor Nursing Facility in New Braunfels, Texas.

On behalf of Lodge 566 and the Slovene National Benefit Society, we extend best wishes to Sis. Stritof for continued health and happiness.

# Spartans Lodge 576 making plans for a full summer of activities

by NANCY NOVAK  
Lodge 576 Rec. Secretary

**CLEVELAND** — Summer is in full swing! Everyone is busy with baseball, vacations, traveling and everything associated with these warm weather months, so we were very pleased with the turnout for our Spartans Lodge 576 picnic on Father's Day, June 20, at the SNPJ Farm.

Over 200 people came to spend time with their fathers and families on a beautiful afternoon filled with good food and polka music. Thanks to all the volunteers

who worked in the kitchen, tended the bar, manned the grill, sold tickets and helped with all the other jobs that made the picnic a success.

Don't forget the upcoming summer activities, like Slovenefest July 9-11 at the SNPJ Recreation Center. You can see our Lodge president and his band, Joe Novak & Friends, Saturday night in the Gostilna. The Spartans will have a booth at Slovenefest with original art work and jewelry for sale, as well as a photo booth and bake sale. Proceeds from the photo

booth and bake sale will benefit the SNPJ Scholarship Fund. Stop by to shop or just say hello.

The Spartans will also be attending Slovenian Night at the Lake County Captains baseball game July 26. If you haven't reserved your ticket, please contact Lou Novak at (440) 461-6476.

The next Lodge 576 meeting is Monday, July 19, at 6:30 p.m. at Waterloo Hall. Please note that the meeting is a week later than usual due to Slovenefest. We hope to see you July 19!

## SNPJ RECOMMENDER PROGRAM



The SNPJ Recommender Program provides an opportunity for adult members to encourage family, friends, children and acquaintances to join the Slovene National Benefit Society and take advantage of SNPJ's competitive products and numerous fraternal benefits. Not only will you be helping a friend and strengthening our Society, you'll also be receiving benefits yourself.

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Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate Preferred Agent \_\_\_\_\_  
(Optional)

My Name: \_\_\_\_\_

My Lodge Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Each individual must be informed that an agent will contact him/her and the referral must have some interest in SNPJ in order for the recommender to be considered valid.

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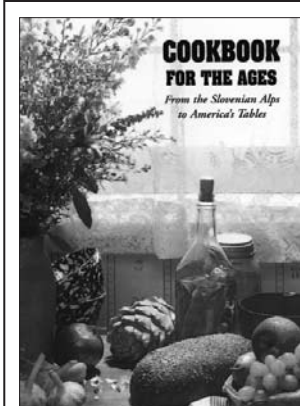
### Call for Candidates SNPJ Recreation Center Committee

This announcement serves as a call to all members interested in serving on the SNPJ Recreation Center Committee. Two positions for terms of three years each will be filled during the July 16, 2010, SNPJ National Board meeting.

- Candidates are no longer required to live within a 100-mile radius of the SNPJ Recreation Center. The 100-mile radius requirement has been lifted. However, mileage reimbursement will only be paid up to a 100-mile radius
- Compensation also includes \$50 per diem plus mileage

Resumes for these positions should be forwarded by July 12, 2010, to:

**Slovene National Benefit Society**  
Joseph C. Evanish, National President  
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## SNPJ fraternal sympathies

**Sis. EMMA L. GILTNER**  
• LODGE 577 •

**PUEBLO, Colo.** — With sadness, the Giltner family and members of Lodge 577 report the May 9, 2010, passing of Sis. Emma L. Giltner, 77, of Pueblo.

Sis. Giltner was born Oct. 9, 1932, in Spring Canyon, Utah. She attended Central High School and was proud to be a rural letter carrier, a position from which she retired after 26 years of service.

Emma loved to listen to polka music, spend time with her entire family, make potica and host family dinners for everyone. In addition to SNPJ Lodge 577, she was also a member of St. Joseph's Parish, Ladies Auxiliary Council #9456 and the Monday Madness Bowling League.

Sis. Giltner is survived by her children, Norbert Jr. "Gil" (Adrienne), Mae (Butch) Nezvensky, Jim (Audrey), Mike (Cherie), Robert (Tammy), Larry (Annette) and Mary (Brian) Davis; siblings Mitzi Evans, Josie Kesner, Helen Siegel and Val Udovich;

23 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, cousins, godchildren and friends.

She was preceded in death by her sweetheart and husband of 52 years, Norbert D. Giltner, who passed away in 2004; sisters Mae Louisa, Katie Marshall and Martha Warne; her parents, Valentine and Rhoda Udovich; a granddaughter; two great-grandchildren; and two nephews.

On behalf of the members of Lodge 577 and the Slovene National Benefit Society, we extend sincere condolences to Sis. Giltner's family, relatives and friends on their loss.

**Sis. EVA PIRIH**  
• LODGE 89 •

**MIDWAY, Pa.** — The members of Lodge 89 sadly report the May 22, 2010, passing of Sis. Eva Pirih, 89, in Washington County Health Center, Chartiers Township, Pa.

Sis. Pirih was born Oct. 14, 1920, in Canonsburg, Pa., a daughter of John and Anna

Szap Matyuf. She was a member of SNPJ Lodge 89 and St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church.

Eva enjoyed playing bingo, and spending time with family and friends at The Meadows Racetrack and Casino in Washington, Pa.

She is survived by her children, Marian Pirih of Canonsburg and Michael (Mary) Pirih of Hickory, Pa.; grandchildren Marisa Pirih of Greensboro, S.C., and Michael (Amber) Pirih of Houston, Pa.; great-grandchild Whitney Rose Pirih; a sister, Julia (John) Spetek of Burgettstown, Pa., and a brother, Bill (Dorothy) Matyuf of Canonsburg.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Pirih, whom she married Nov. 20, 1943; sisters Anne Puskarich and Mary Kacvinsky; and brothers Harry, Pete, Steve, John Jr. and Michael Matyuf, who died serving his country during World War II.

A Parastas service was celebrated May 24 in Beinbauer-Bogan Funeral Home, Canonsburg, followed by a May 25 service in St. John the Baptist

Orthodox Church, officiated by the Rev. Joseph Oleynik. Interment was held in Oak Spring Cemetery, Chartiers Township, Pa.

On behalf of the members of Lodge 89 and the Slovene National Benefit Society, we offer our sympathies to Sis. Pirih's family, relatives and friends on their loss.

**BRO. FRANK TOMSIC JR.**  
• LODGE 689 •

**HELPER, Utah** — The Tomsic family and members of Lodge 689 sadly report the June 11, 2010, passing of Bro. Frank Tomsic Jr., 94, at his home in Helper.

Bro. Tomsic was born Aug. 15, 1915, in Raton, N.M., to Frank M. and Julia Papez Tomsic. He married Jeanette Benash Sept. 15, 1940, in Montrose, Colo.; she died April 22, 1988. He later married Matilda Sanders who died Sept. 3, 2001.

Frank was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church. He was a longtime resident of Carbon County, Utah, where

he owned and operated Frank's Glass Shop in Helper for many years. He was also a member of Helper Lions, Western Slavonic Association and a lifelong member of Price Elks Lodge 1550.

Frank joined SNPJ Jan. 1, 1935, in Walsenburg, Colo. He was a faithful member for 75 years, belonging to Lodge 21 in Pueblo, Colo., before transferring to Lodge 689 in Helper where he became the Lodge's eldest member. Frank enjoyed attending the Utah Slovenian Day picnics, and shared many happy times with family and dear friends at the Slovene National Home. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Bro. Tomsic is survived by his daughter, Barbara Ronneberg of Tidewater, Ore.; sisters Virginia Tasker and Alice Magann, both of Helper; granddaughter Cindy (Andy) Newell of Tucson, Ariz.; grandson Marty Newberry of Tidewater; two great-grandchildren, Bryana and Niki Newell; brother-in-law John (Marge) Benash of Helper; two sisters-in-law, Marjorie Tomsic of Moab,



Bro. FRANK TOMSIC Jr. (689)

Utah, and Marge Tomsic of Anchorage, Alaska; and aunt Albina Papez of Walsenburg.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Julia and Mili; two brothers, John and Eddie; and a grandson, Randy.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated June 18 at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Helper. Committal followed in Mt. View Cemetery, Helper.

On behalf of the members of Lodge 689 and the Slovene National Benefit Society, we extend condolences to Bro. Tomsic's family, relatives and friends on their loss.

Slovenia's Udrih takes the  
NBA Oscar Robertson Award

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** — Slovenian basketball player Beno Udrih, now playing for the Sacramento Kings, received the 2009-2010 Oscar Robertson Triple-Double Award. The award is bestowed annually in honor of one of the NBA's all-time greats, Oscar Robertson.

Every season, the Oscar Robertson Triple-Double Award winner is selected by a panel of local sports media and presented to a deserving Kings' player who exemplifies certain characteristics both on and off the court.

"Triple" denotes accomplishments on the court: he is a team leader, embodies the spirit of sportsmanship and plays an outstanding all-around game. "Double" denotes off-the-court leadership by showing commitment to community service and family.

As part of the Kings for the Commu-

nity program, Udrih hosted hundreds of deserving children and special groups of Sacramento at the Kings' home games throughout the season.

Udrih's generosity extended beyond the Sacramento region as he supported the Haiti relief efforts following the country's devastating earthquake in January by donating one dollar to the American Red Cross on behalf of everyone who attended the Feb. 3 Kings-Spurs game.

Also this season, Udrih teamed up with Maloof Sports and Entertainment Team members and volunteers in celebrating the seventh annual Cesar Chavez Day of Volunteerism by refurbishing the North Roseville R.E.C. Center.

In November, Udrih assisted St. Philomena's Sharing the Bounty program by serving Thanksgiving dinner to local families and individuals in need.



Sacramento Kings guard and Slovenian native Beno Udrih recently received the NBA's 2009-2010 Oscar Robertson Triple-Double Award.

Hit the links for the SNPJ  
Athletic Board scramble

by KEVIN RICHARDS  
SNPJ Fraternal Director

**IMPERIAL, Pa.** — The SNPJ National Athletic Board will once again host a scramble golf outing Monday, July 19, during First Family Week. We will golf at Bedford Trails Golf Course in Lowellville, Ohio. This is the same golf course at which the SNPJ National Golf Tournament is played during National SNPJ Days weekend.

Tee times start at 7:30 a.m. The entry fee is \$20 per team. Your greens fee, payable at the course the day of the outing,

will be \$21. This includes 18 holes of golf, a cart, and a hot dog and beverage at the turn.

The entry form is published below. Entry forms may also be obtained by phoning the SNPJ Fraternal Department at 1-800-843-7675 or e-mailing [krichards@snpj.com](mailto:krichards@snpj.com). Please mail your entry form and fee to the SNPJ Recreation Center, Attn: National Athletic Board Golf Scramble, 270 Martin Road, Enon Valley, PA 16120. Entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Get your entry in early; we have limited tee times.

Magister Golf raises funds  
for IPF research, support

by MARIANNE MAGISTER  
Lodge 665

**PITTSBURGH** — The Simmons Center for Interstitial Lung Disease at UPMC is sponsoring a golf outing Monday, Aug. 30, at Pittsburgh National Golf Club, formerly Deer Run Golf Club.

Now in its sixth year, the event is named in memory of Bro. Fran Magister (665) who passed away in September 2008 from end-stage idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF). Fran was instrumental in the creation of the event and its ongoing success, and was committed to supporting other patients with IPF and to finding a cure.

The cost is \$125 per golfer and includes refreshments, dinner and other activities. For non-golfers, the cost for dinner only is \$30 per person.

If you are unable to attend the event but would like to support this worthwhile cause, donations are also welcome. All proceeds fund patient support, outreach, education and research activities aimed at finding a cure for IPF.

For information contact Marianne Magister at (412) 234-3743, or Mary Williams at the Simmons Center at (412) 647-3156 or [simmonsild@upmc.edu](mailto:simmonsild@upmc.edu).

Fed. of Slovenian Seniors  
readies their annual picnic

by LILLIAN PUGEL  
Lodge 142

**CLEVELAND** — At a recent Federation of American Slovenian Senior Citizens meeting, final plans were made for the Aug. 25 Federation picnic at the SNPJ Farm on Heath Road in Kirtland, Ohio. Dinner will be served at 1 p.m. by Julie Zalar and her staff.

Tickets for dinner, dancing and entrance to the grounds are \$13 if purchased before Aug. 20. Tickets purchased the day

of the picnic will be \$15 and can be obtained at the gate. Admission for the dance only will be \$5. Music will be provided by the Wayne Tomsic Orchestra from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Presale tickets can be purchased from members of the Barberton, Euclid, Maple Heights or St. Clair clubs, or by calling Matt Zabukovec at (440) 943-3784.

Mark your calendar for Aug. 25 and come out to the Farm for an enjoyable afternoon!

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2010 SNPJ National Athletic Board  
Scramble Golf Outing

July 19, 2010

at Bedford Trails Golf Course  
713 Bedford Rd., Coitsville, OH 44436

Team Scramble • Tee times beginning at 7:30 a.m.

**\$20 PER TEAM ENTRY FEE**

(additional \$21 per person greens fee payable at the course)

Team Members	Lodge No./Guest (only 1 guest permitted per foursome)
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The \$21 per person greens fee includes 18 holes of golf, cart rental, and a hot dog and beverage at the turn.

Return this form, along with entry fees, to:

**SNPJ Recreation Center**  
Att'n: Athletic Board Golf Scramble  
270 Martin Rd., Enon Valley, PA 16120  
Phone: 1-877-767-5732

**Make checks payable to SNPJ Recreation Center**

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The Home Office will verify all memberships. Complete tournament rules are available by contacting the SNPJ Fraternal Department, 247 West Allegheny Road, Imperial, PA 15126.

50-Year Members  
June 2010

Lodge	Member	Lodge	Member
3	Fredrick Mihelic	254	Charlotte L. Sedlmyer
6	William R. DeBone	259	Mary Ann Bartos
6	Kenneth P. Baits	449	Shirley F. Nuccio
8	Arthur J. Brazes	459	Rita R. Sandford
21	Ronald R. Jordan	559	Victor C. Glavach
41	William Primozic	564	Joanne M. Tracey
53	Patricia A. Maxwell	713	Joseph Walkiewicz
87	Janice V. Stepinsky	715	Mary A. Malay
117	Martin J. Luzar		

60-Year Members  
June 2010

Lodge	Member	Lodge	Member
FD4	Jesse S. Bounds	562	John Skerbetz
2	Dorothy L. Mahnich	564	Joseph J. Shunta
5	Elsie Lavrencic	584	Frank Gantor
8	Eleanore A. Heggi	715	Louise P. Mandekic
88	Anna B. Midlil	729	Donald L. Steck
89	Theresa Anzlovar	729	Zora Duda
117	Mary Plassio	729	Alice R. Magayna
419	John C. Micklow	781	Helen Motta
559	Thom J. Culkar		

70-Year Members  
June 2010

Lodge	Member	Lodge	Member
2	Albert M. Janko	268	Olga Levar
2	Leona M. Rivasi	518	Louis Praznik
5	Louise Miller	559	Rosalie Sternisha
6	Rose Keehn	559	Louis Smolich
6	Jean Stephenson	559	Frances Kiraly
6	Christine Fischer	559	Ann Smagaj
34	Mildred T. Belden	584	Frank J. Leban
53	Henry Skarbez	584	Steffie Schwartz
53	Lillian J. Hirz	604	Dorothy Mehosky
138	Josephine F. Bole	626	Georgette Williamson
142	John Kapel	713	Frances Bozich
174	Anna Volcjak	713	Elizabeth DeMichiei
218	Louis Supancic	749	Pauline Langerholc
268	John Kne	786	Virginia Zajc

80-Year Members  
June 2010

Lodge	Member
106	Matilda Yamnik
142	Jennie Ivec
207	Louise Kankelborg
581	Mary Sakoski

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# Delegates and Alternates to the 29<sup>th</sup> SNPJ Quadrennial Convention

August 16-18, 2010, hosted by the Cleveland Federation of SNPJ Lodges  
at Quail Hollow Resort, Painesville, Ohio

Lodge	Delegate	Alternate
1	<b>O'Connell, Marlene</b> 13501 S. Circle Dr. Orland Park, IL 60462	
2	<b>Spelich, Delores</b> 653 Garfield Ave. LaSalle, IL 61301 <b>Spelich, Erwin (Elmer)</b> 653 Garfield Ave. LaSalle, IL 61301 <b>Miklavcic, Ray</b> 1371 Lafayette St LaSalle, IL 61301	
5	<b>Valencic, Joseph</b> 19315 Muskoka Cleveland, OH 44119 <b>Tomsic, Richard</b> 25571 Glenbrook Euclid, OH 44117	<b>Tomsic, Karen</b> 25571 Glenbrook Euclid, OH 44117 <b>Turk, Agnes</b> 104 E. 200 S. Euclid, OH 44119
6	<b>Curl, Betty</b> 503 Orchard St. Carnegie, PA 15106 <b>Baselj, Beverly</b> 1001 Grandview Ave., Apt. 903 Bridgeville, PA 15017 <b>Pintar, Kenneth</b> 44 Calvert St. Bridgeville, PA 15017 <b>Wright, Frank Jr.</b> 303 Poplar Ln. Oakdale, PA 15071 <b>Spoharski, Betty</b> 1594 Collier Ave. Heidelberg, PA 15106	<b>Biondi, Anthony</b> 5206 Forest View Dr. McDonald, PA 15057 <b>Biondi, Evelyn</b> 5206 Forest View Dr. McDonald, PA 15057
8	<b>Novotny, Frank</b> 2400 South 5th Ave. N. Riverside, IL 60546 <b>Novotny, Dolores</b> 2400 South 5th Ave. N. Riverside, IL 60546 <b>Smidl, Carmella</b> 5316 S. Newcastle Ave. Chicago, IL 60638	<b>Paitl, Evelyn</b> 5812 S. Melvina Ave. Chicago, IL 60638 <b>Paitl, Richard</b> 5812 S. Melvina Ave. Chicago, IL 60638 <b>Kovack, Edward</b> 2800 S. Maple Ave. Downers Grove, IL 60515
31	<b>Robich, Edward</b> 2580 Longview Rd. Hermitage, PA 16148	
33	<b>Petukauskas, Christine</b> 1824 Porter St. Conway, PA 15027 <b>Duzicky, Janet</b> 1041 Oak Ave. Ambridge, PA 15003	
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106	<b>Gaspersic, Larry</b> 321 Woodcrest Dr. Coraopolis, PA 15108 <b>Sladick, Joseph</b> 111 Prosperi Ln., Box 559 Imperial, PA 15126 <b>Kinney, Wendy</b> 70 Campmeeting Rd. Clinton, PA 15026 <b>Singiser, Jean</b> 207 Chestershire Dr. Oakdale, PA 15071 <b>Singiser, Chuck</b> 207 Chestershire Dr. Oakdale, PA 15071	<b>Patosky, Brian</b> 2232 Route 30 Hookstown, PA 15050 <b>Kinney, Gary</b> 70 Camp Meeting Rd. Clinton, PA 15026 <b>Ulager, Frank</b> 138 S. Jamestown Rd. Moon Twp, PA 15108 <b>Sabo, Becky</b> 20 DiNardo Manor Imperial, PA 15126 <b>Steele, Tracy</b> 262 Oak Dr. Moon, PA 15108
107	<b>Urankar, Robert</b> 833 Gardenway Dr. Ballwin, MO, 63011 <b>Urankar, Helen</b> 833 Gardenway Dr. Ballwin, MO 63011	<b>Webb, Ida</b> 303 Wild Forest Dr. Ballwin, MO 63011 <b>Pisoni, Viola</b> 6704 Clayton Ave. St. Louis, MO 63139

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113	<b>Dupin, Charlene</b> 882 N. 8th E. Price, UT 84501	<b>Dupin, Paul</b> 882 N. 8th E. Price, UT 84501
117	<b>Grkman, Denise</b> P.O. Box 584 South Park, PA 15129	<b>Grkman, Steven</b> 539 Austin St. Greensburg, PA 15698
120 (777)	<b>Baker, Joanna</b> 215 Canyon de Chelly Gallup, NM 87301	
126	<b>Sumrada, Edward</b> 2634 River Rd. Willoughby, OH 44094	<b>Marinch, Grace</b> 30133 Oakdale Rd. Willowick, OH 44095
138	<b>Lawrence, Robert</b> 178 Latimer Ave., Box 222 Strabane, PA 15363 <b>Hervol, Rick</b> 183 Wylie Ave. Strabane, PA 15363 <b>Paul, Albert</b> 567 Elm St. Canonsburg, PA 15317 <b>Wagner, John</b> 1435 Paxton Farm Rd. Washington, PA 15301 <b>Brumbaugh, Karen</b> 5 Pinnacle Ct. Canonsburg, PA 15317	<b>Brumbaugh, Ryan</b> 5 Pinnacle Ct. Canonsburg, PA 15317 <b>Deliere, Carol</b> 9011 Club House Rd. Presto, PA 15142 <b>Pabian, Courtney</b> 611 Frederick Ct. Canonsburg, PA 15317 <b>Pabian, Beverly</b> 910 Short St. Canonsburg, PA 15317 <b>Cushman, David</b> 123 Green St. Houston, PA 15342
142	<b>Dobida, Dolores</b> 5275A Franklyn Blvd. Willoughby, OH 44094 <b>Matuch, Sophie</b> 6727 Farmingdale Ln. Mentor, OH 44060 <b>Harbie, Edward</b> 3361 Alla Dr. Seven Hills, OH 44131	<b>Pugel, Lillian</b> 329 East 305 St. Willowick, OH 44095 <b>Kompare, Irene</b> 37383 Ocean Reef Willoughby, OH 44094 <b>Pugel, Henry</b> 329 East 305 St. Willowick, OH 44095
153	<b>Chermely-Tanner, Diane</b> 10952 W. Jefferson Ct. Salem, OH 44460 <b>Chermely, Helen</b> 6143 Chidester Dr. Canfield, OH 44406	<b>Chermely, Stanley</b> 6143 Chidester Dr. Canfield, OH 44406
158	<b>Nevar, Pat</b> 2071 Miami Rd. Euclid, OH 44117 <b>O'Donnell, Karen</b> 8575 Sherman Rd. Chesterland, OH 44026 <b>Gorjup, Linda</b> 790 E. 250 St. Euclid, OH 44132 <b>Volpe, Greg</b> 6990 Ohio St. Mentor, OH 44060 <b>Volpe, Gina</b> 6990 Ohio St. Mentor, OH 44060	<b>Markusic, Eileen</b> 508 Jeanette Dr. Richmond Hts., OH 44143 <b>Martin, Faye</b> 29648 Phillips Ave. Wickliffe, OH 44092 <b>Martin, Fred</b> 29648 Phillips Ave. Wickliffe, OH 44092 <b>Godec, Eleanor</b> 28967 Sherbrook Dr. Wickliffe, OH 44092 <b>Helmeccy, Donna</b> 1225 Lost Nation Blvd., #105 Willoughby, OH 44094
174	<b>Zakraysek, Kenneth</b> 106 Queens Row, P.O. Box 137 Elton, PA 15934	<b>Zakraysek, Kimberly</b> 106 Queens Row, P.O. Box 137 Elton, PA 15934
223	<b>Palm, David</b> 912 Georges Station Rd. Greensburg, PA 15601 <b>DiAndreth, Patricia</b> 44 West Glennis Dr. Greensburg, PA 15601	
225	<b>Zibert, Luella</b> 254 N. 200 St. Arma, KS 66712 <b>Lomshek, Stephen</b> 109 W. 22nd St. Pittsburg, KS 66762 <b>McLendon, Jim</b> P.O. Box 69 Liberal, MO 64762 <b>Scales, Donald</b> P.O. Box 234 Girard, KS 66743	<b>Scales, Linda</b> 411 W. Cedar Girard, KS 66743 <b>McLendon, Leota</b> P.O. Box 69 Liberal, MO 64762
254	<b>Naugle, Donna</b> 306 Saratoga St. Johnstown, PA 15902 <b>Lehman, Lawrence</b> P.O. Box 5183 Johnstown, PA 15904 <b>Naugle, Christine</b> 1223 Main St. Johnstown, PA 15909 <b>Naugle, Francis</b> 424 Second St. Conemaugh, PA 15909	<b>Naugle, JoCarol</b> 501 Hornet Ave. Johnstown, PA 15902
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259	<b>Martin, Patricia</b> 836 Beech St. Washington, PA 15301	<b>Lesjak, John</b> 406 W. Grant Houston, PA 15342
265	<b>Klinsky, Mindie</b> P.O. Box 138 Southview, PA 15361	
274	<b>Micko, John</b> 200 Pieta Rd. Windber, PA 15963 <b>Kranyc, Andrew</b> 2108½ Grahamn Ave. Windber, PA 15963	<b>Micko, Marcella</b> 200 Pieta Rd. Windber, PA 15963 <b>Kranyc, Cindy</b> 2108½ Grahamn Ave. Windber, PA 15963
277	<b>Krispinsky, Susan</b> 5478 Kennedy Rd. Lowellville, OH 44436	<b>Krispinsky, Josephine</b> 5498 Kennedy Dr. Lowellville, OH 44436
289	<b>Patosky, Joyce</b> 1995 Kring St. Johnstown, PA 15905 <b>Ruparcic, Joseph</b> 405 Moonshine Hollow Rd. Johnstown, PA 15905 <b>Ruparcic, Charlotte</b> 405 Moonshine Hollow Rd. Johnstown, PA 15905	<b>Jones, Sharon</b> 252 Thomas St. Holsopple, PA 15935
304	<b>Dodic, Ivan</b> 6154 Fairlane Dr. Oakland, CA 94611	<b>Brahney, Diane</b> 1029 Crestview Dr. Millbrae, CA 94030
355	<b>Jackopin, LeRoy</b> 1843 E. 300 St. Wickliffe, OH 44092	<b>Sajn, Frank</b> 6319 Painesville/Warren Rd. Concord, OH 44077
419	<b>Pivik, Martha</b> 301 Murryhill Rd. Tarentum, PA 15084	
449	<b>Dabrowski, Edward</b> 4013 S. Oak Park Ave. Stickney, IL 60402	<b>Rigler, Vince</b> 1116 Berkley Ln. Lemont, IL 60439
459	<b>Budzinski, Deborah</b> 2319 Delwood Dr. Clio, MI 48420	
518	<b>Tehovnik, Frank</b> 2617 Byrd Dearborn, MI 48124 <b>Krzisnik, William</b> 15041 Angelique Ave. Allen Park, MI 48191	<b>Tehovnik, Carolyn</b> 2617 Byrd Dearborn, MI 48124 <b>Zakrajsek, Charles</b> 8435 7 Mile Rd. Northville, MI 48167
559	<b>Doerk, Otto</b> 23112 Lacroix Ln. Plainfield, IL 60544 <b>Doerk, Grace</b> 23112 Lacroix Ln. Plainfield, IL 60544	
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Country and culture: A must-see experience

*Study abroad: a semester or year spent studying abroad in a college or university context that is arranged by a domestic higher-learning institution.* I spent a four-month stay in Germany beginning this past March. While abroad, I studied several languages and several periods in feminist literature. But my schedule was not so overpowering that I couldn't also celebrate the trip. On breaks and available weekends, I traveled to Potok, Austria, to experience my eastern-European culture.

I had learned from a Slovakian friend of mine that in Slovakia, the people still celebrate the old folk traditions indigenous to their country. This celebratory attitude is one that I do not often find in the United States, among my peers in

particular. My hope was that by exploring my heritage, I would get a better grip on my personal identity, a better sense of the big "where I come from" which is so important for me as a citizen — descended from eastern-European immigrants — of a comparatively young country and culture. The very fact that the people who still observe these traditions flows through my blood indicated to me the importance of seeing and understanding them in a real context, not merely an intellectual one.

After all, experiencing one's culture is shockingly different from intellectualizing, researching and abstracting a culture's characteristics.

**MEGAN MATICH**  
Lodge 87, Herminie, Pa.

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## Sixth entrant rounds out the 2010 Miss SNPJ Pageant field

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tournaments, the Lou Progar Scholarship Benefit, the Men's 200 Club banquet, the SNPJ International Button Box Blast, and the annual Duck Race and family picnic. She has also enjoyed volunteering at Slovenefest and for various summer picnics.

In her spare time, Selina enjoys learning to play polkas and waltzes on her button box accordion. This pastime led her to join the South Hills Junior Tamburitzans. She also enjoys baking pastries, which influenced her to attend the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y., to pursue a degree in baking and pastry arts.

On behalf of the SNPJ Fraternal Department, I welcome Selina to the 2010 Miss SNPJ Pageant and wish her all the best. The pageant will take place during Slovenefest weekend, July 9-11, at the SNPJ Recreation Center in the Borough of SNPJ, Pa.

During the pageant competition an independent panel of judges will award points in the following categories: 25 points for poise and appearance in an evening gown, 25 points for personality and communication skills, 15 points for talent, and 25 points for community service. An additional 30 points will be awarded by the SNPJ Executive Committee for activity within SNPJ. The title of Miss Fraternalism will be awarded by the contestants.

The young woman who is crowned Miss SNPJ 2010 will win a \$2,000 scholarship award, an official crown, banner and trophy. Miss SNPJ will have the opportunity to travel to SNPJ functions across the country and will appear on the 2011 SNPJ calendar. The winner of the Miss Activity crown will be awarded a \$1,200 scholarship award; Miss Talent will receive an \$800 scholarship award.

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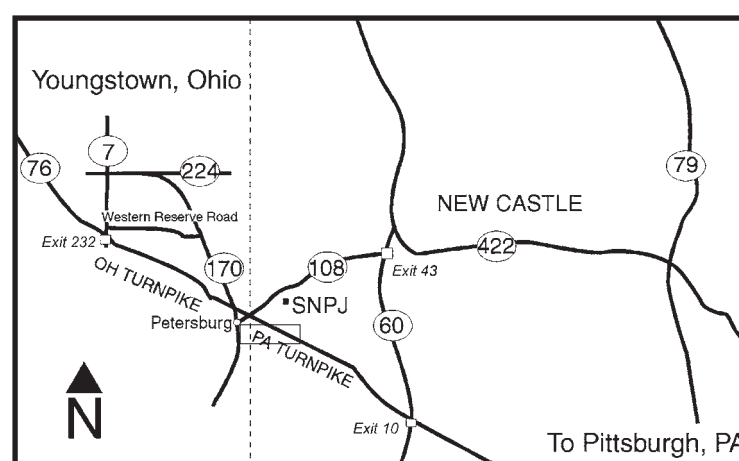
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