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### Unveil Shevchenko Monument In Toulouse, France



A monument in honor of Taras Shevchenko, Ukraine's poet-laureate and champion of freedom, was unveiled in Toulouse, France, on Sunday, September 5, 1971, as a throng of Ukrainians and Frenchmen gathered around the site to witness the ceremonies. The memorial, representing Shevchenko's bust sculptured in a huge slab of marble, is the work of French artist Alobet. It is the third erected by Ukrainians in the free world, the first having been unveiled in Winnipeg, Canada, and the second in Washington, D.C. Yet another memorial in honor of the Bard is being erected in Buenos Aires, Argentina, with unveiling scheduled for December 5, 1971. In Toulouse, which already has a street named "Kiev" and a square designated "Ukraine," the day-long festivities included religious services, presided over by Bishop Volodymyr Malanchuk, the unveiling of the monument and a concert. Ukrainians from France, England, West Germany as well as Canada and the U.S. took part in the unveiling ceremonies. Photo above shows the monument and the Rev. Wasyl Pryjma, local Ukrainian Catholic pastor.

### Finalize Plans For Unveiling Of Shevchenko Monument

#### TRAVEL PLANS ANNOUNCED

NEW YORK, N.Y.—Plans for impressive festivities in conjunction with the unveiling of the Taras Shevchenko monument in Buenos Aires, Argentina, are rapidly moving into final stages, according to information received from the memorial committee.

Scheduled for Sunday, December 5, the unveiling of this the fourth statue of the Ukrainian poet-laureate erected by Ukrainians in the free world, is expected to attract Ukrainians from many other countries of the free world, including the U.S. and Canada.

Travel arrangements from the United States are being handled by the Kowbasniuk Travel Agency of New York.

According to information just released, the Argentina Airlines charter flight is scheduled to leave from New York on Saturday, November 27, at 8:30 p.m., arriving in Buenos Aires on November 28 at 8:00 a.m. The non-stop flight is slated to return on December 12, leaving Buenos Aires at 10:30 p.m. and arriving in New York on December 13 at 8 a.m. Estimated round trip fare is \$300.00, with 139 seats available on the plane. A deposit of \$50.00 must be sent immediately to the Kowbasniuk Agency with the balance due before October 22nd.

Documents

More information can be obtained by writing or calling the Kowbasniuk Agency, 285 East 10th street, New York, N.Y., 10009; Tel.: (212) 254-8779.

### National Fraternal Congress To Convene in Denver

JERSEY CITY, N.J.—Some 500 officers and delegates of more than 100 member societies, including the Ukrainian National Association, will be attending the 85th annual meeting of the National Fraternal Congress September 26-29 in Denver, Colo.

Launching the four-day parley will be the Fraternal Spectacular on Sunday, September 26, at the Hilton Hotel, with the Ukrainian SUMA ensemble from Minneapolis, Minn., as the featured performers.

Repeat Performance

The group, consisting of dancers, singers and a mandolin orchestra, has already appeared once at the traditional fraternal when the meeting was held in Minneapolis in 1966. The ensemble's excellent presentation at that time led to the repeated invitation.

The Spectacular is staged by the Congress's fraternal section, headed this year by UNA Supreme Secretary Dr. Jaroslav Padoch.

In addition to business sessions, the delegates will hear

a number of speakers discuss various aspects of social life in this country. Leading the list of distinguished personalities is Art Linkletter, noted radio and TV star who will dwell on the subject of drug abuse.

#### Youth Salute

Denver's Ukrainian community will stage a program honoring Lesia Ukrainka on Saturday, September 25, in the auditorium of the Grandview United Church of Christ. The principal speaker will be UNA Supreme President Joseph Lesawyer.

The "Youth Salutes Lesia Ukrainka" program will also feature soprano Mary Lesawyer, the Minneapolis SUMA ensemble, a montage of Lesia Ukrainka's poetic works, and vocal pieces by Barbara Zawadowsch. Dancing follows the program.

Local UNA's organized in Branch 226 and led by Supreme Advisor Myroslaw Kalba, will hold a reception at the Lotus Room for the supreme officers and other guests attending the Fraternal Congress meeting.

### Committee to Seek Ethnic Studies Center in New York

NEW YORK, N.Y. — In response to the Senate's passage of the "Ethnic Heritage Studies Center Act of 1971," a meeting of various ethnic groups was held to form a committee to prepare for the establishment of such a center in New York. The meeting took place Sunday, September 12, at the Hungarian House in Manhattan and was hosted by Stephen Miklo from the Hungarian organization.

The invitation to ethnic group leaders was made by Prof. Z. Michael Szaz, national chairman of the Ethnic Foundation Inc. and by Dr. I.F. Dzinich, president of National Confederation of American Ethnic Groups in Washington D.C. Both were present at the meeting accompanied by Dr. Karol H. Sitko, editor of the New Approach, published in Washington. Presentation of the Washington guests was made by Dr. Ivan Docheff, chairman of American Friends of the Anti-Bolshevik Bloc of Nations.

Form Chapter

After discussion with leaders of various ethnic groups, a committee was formed for the greater New York area as a chapter of the National Confederation of American Ethnic Groups, which will seek to utilize the academic and cultural resources of the various ethnic communities for the development of the Studies Center. Members of the elected board of directors are: Dr. Ivan Docheff (Bulgarian), president, Mario E. Sitko (Continued on p. 2)

### LESIA UKRAINKA CENTENNIAL MARKED IN CLEVELAND

CLEVELAND, O. (M.D.)—The commemorative observance of the 100th birthday anniversary of Lesia Ukrainka, immortal poetess of Ukraine, held in Cleveland, O., September 18 and 19, proved an inspiring cultural manifestation by the Ukrainian community, including its youth. The presence of Mrs. Isydora Kosach-Borysova, sister of Lesia Ukrainka, created a vital historical link with Ukraine's past.

Sponsored by the Lesia Ukrainka National Centennial Committee, with Mrs. Stefania Pushkar as chairman, and the Council of Women's Organizations, under the auspices of the UCCA, and implemented by the Arrangements Committee in Cleveland, headed by Mr. Wasyl Lischynecky, which included women's, youth and other groups, the two-day program was a most fitting tribute to the great Ukrainian literary figure.

#### Stage Drama

The perspicacious public attending the events was treated on Saturday night to a commendable performance of Lesia Ukrainka's "Orgy" by the theatrical group of the Trembita Chorus of Detroit, under the direction of Mrs. G. Branka-Krvvutskia, at Normandy High School in Parma.

From the moment the curtain opened on a classical Greek scene, with the actors moving about in graceful Greek costumes, through the developing tragedy leading to the denouement, the audience was gripped by the powerful drama. The analogy was obvious between the Roman domination over Greece and that of Russia over Ukraine, and the Russification of Ukraine's culture and its rejection by many leading Ukrainians.

The performances as a whole were of high caliber; meeting the actors later, one was amazed at their youthfulness and dedication. Most were high school and college students. In the leading male role of Anteus, T. Lonchyna

was outstanding, followed by C. Nykyforiak as his wife Nerisa, W. Kozar as the noble Roman, A. Mushynska as the sister, and, of course, K. Branka as the mother.

The dances by Motria Mark and her troupe contributed to the revelry scene. The drama is certainly worthy of repeat in other cities.

On Sunday, September 19, the Divine Liturgy was said at Parma's St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church and at St. Vladimir's Ukrainian Orthodox Church. We must note the splendid St. Vladimir's Choir, under the direction of H. Kytasty of Ukrainian Bandurist fame — beautiful! Guests were served breakfast at both church halls.

At two o'clock Ukrainians from Cleveland and environs, as well as New York, Philadelphia, Detroit, Chicago, Scranton, Pittsburgh, etc. gathered in the Ukrainian cultural park which is part of the Cleveland Cultural Gardens. Here, towers the majestic statue of Lesia Ukrainka, created by sculptor Michael Cheresniowskiy and built in 1961 by the Cleveland Regional Council of the Ukrainian National Women's League of America, near those of Volodymyr the Great, Khmelnytsky, Shevchenko and Franko.

The colorful observance began with the singing of the American and Ukrainian anthems, and the invocation by Very Rev. Vasyl Oliyuk, Orthodox priest from Youngstown. Following his opening remarks, Mr. Lischynecky introduced Atty. Bohdan Futey, master of ceremonies, who called on Mrs. Pushkar for opening remarks.

The main address by Prof. Yar Slavutych of the University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada, was a comprehensive review of Lesia Ukrainka's meaning to Ukrainian culture, entitled "Ukraine's Greatest Daughter."

The need for greater involvement by UAV members was expressed by the newly-elected UAV national board, headed by Michael Wengryn of Clifton, N.J., who was re-elected national commander for the second consecutive term.

Other officers elected to the UAV national board were: William Harrison, senior vice-commander; Emrick Prestash, junior vice-commander; William Drabek, finance officer; Walter Horrer, adjutant; George Yurkiw, judge advocate; Frank Nakonechny, quartermaster; Harry Polche, chaplain, and Myroslav M. Boyko, historian.

The installation of new officers was performed by Eugene Sagasz, former UAV national commander. Harry Polche, Chaplain of the UAV National Board, read the invocation.

Attending the Convention were delegates from 21 UAV Posts, including Post # 21, which was established recently in Bridgeport, Conn. Ladies auxiliaries from several Posts also attended.

The agenda of the three-day conclave included reports by national officers, the election and work of the convention committees, such as the resolutions, finance and by-laws committees, and the election of the new national board.

The resolutions, while calling for greater participation of veterans in community life, also expressed full support of President Nixon's policies, aimed at bringing an honorable peace with justice in Vietnam.

Pledge Cooperation

Taking part in the convention proceedings and the banquet was Maj. Bohdan Lytsiak, National Commander of the Veterans of the First Ukrainian Division. He spoke both during the business session and at the convention banquet, at which he pledged full cooperation on the part of his 1,700-strong veteran organization in the United States.

Concern For Persecuted Kin

At the banquet, attended by UAV veterans and their families, the principal speaker was Dr. Walter Dushnyk, editor of "The Ukrainian Quarterly" and member of the executive board of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America, who also brought greetings from the UCCA.

Dr. Dushnyk's address was the "Plight of Ukrainian Intellectuals and Russification of Ukraine," in which he gave the highlights of the persecution of Ukrainian intellectuals and the general

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### TANIA ZAZULA IS CHOSEN MISS SOYUZIVKA

#### OKSANA MYCHAJLUK AND CHRYZANTA KAMINSKY ARE RUNNERS-UP

KERHONKSON, N. Y. — Tania Zazula, a 17-year-old brown-eyed beauty from Rego Park, N.Y., accepted the crown and the title of Miss Soyuzivka from Zirka Hloba at the climax of the annual contest held at the UNA resort Saturday, September 18.

Miss Zazula, no stranger to the stage and the spotlight having starred in Roma Pryma's famed fairy-tale ballet "Kvit Paporoti," was all smiles as she proclaimed Soyuzivka's reigning queen amid hugs, kisses and cheers that resounded through the darkness of a rather chilly night.

Wanted to Win

"I wanted to win," Tania said with unpretentious modesty, "but I felt that the other girls were also worthy of the title."

She was referring to Oksana Mychajluk, 17, the first runner-up, and Chryzanta Kaminsky, 21, the second runner-up.

Still slightly stunned as she was being introduced to the public, Miss Zazula accepted the golden sash and the bouquet of American roses from Mrs. Kvitka Stechuk, the selection jury's non-voting secretary, and, subsequently, the guiding arm of UNA President Joseph Lesawyer as he led her through



TANIA ZAZULA — MISS SOYUZIVKA 1972  
(All photos in this series are by G. Wirt)

the traditional Miss Soyuzivka waltz.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yaromyr T. Zazula, the new Miss Soyuzivka is a high school senior and eventually plans to study medicine. An excellent dancer, she lists

ballet as one of her hobbies. "I also love skiing," said Miss Zazula who has been a frequent visitor at Soyuzivka this summer. Arts and crafts and membership in Plast, in addition to ballet, fill out whatever free time she has from studies.

Oksana, the first runner-up, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ostap Mychajluk of Union, N.J. Also a high school senior, she is a member of SUMA and plans a career as a legal secretary. In addition to piano and sculpture, which the green-eyed, brown-haired Oksana lists as her hobbies, she enjoys Ukrainian folk dancing and she demonstrated her prowess that evening as she performed with the "Lyman" dancing ensemble.

Oksana was a N.J. finalist in this year's Miss Teenage America contest. She was asked to participate next year in the Miss America pageant.

Chryzanta, the second runner-up, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kaminsky of Jackson Heights, N.Y. A hazel-eyed blonde, she is a senior at Queens College and, like Tania, is set on a career in medicine. A member of Plast, Miss Kaminsky plays piano and sings with the New York "Dumka" chorus, as well as her parish

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