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President's Message

This has been like a whirlwind courtship—one minute I am attending my first Malanka and the next I am President of UAST! There was actually a year and a half between those two events, but I still need to meet many of you and want to hear from you about where UAST has been and where it is going.

As you know, Cathy Teinert, UAST's previous President, has retired to attend to her family. Cathy has been involved with UAST for many years and has headed its Board of Director's for a number of terms. I have only been the beneficiary of her leadership for a short while, but I know that I will need to draw on her skills and history with UAST and the greater Ukrainian and other cultural communities of the area. So although we all want to thank Cathy for her hard work as President, we also welcome her continued involvement at her discretion.

The first Board Meeting of the year took place on February 15. The other Board members agreed to serve for another term in the following capacities: Chuck Neubecker, First Vice President; Andrew Chobany, Second Vice President; and Viktor Baryshev, Secretary-Treasurer. We have an ambitious Events Calendar for 2005 and a goal of getting you more involved in the inception, implementation, and running of UAST events. To that end, during the year, don't be surprised if a Board member or other UAST member calls to invite you to join a small group of members in a social setting. We want your input on what you want from your organization and what you are able to bring to it. We have a great membership (just check out the fun at the last Spring Picnic and at Malanka and the rousing support of Zorya). We need this same enthusiasm and spark coupled to your ideas and involvement in UAST.

UAST has a wonderful history of supporting Ukrainian heritage in the DFW area and the Board members and I look forward, with you, to being part of its future.

Helaine Nelson

UAST Events Calendar 2005

March

Mar. 19-20, Saturday & Sunday, 12 – 5: Spring Bazaar at St. Sophia Ukrainian Catholic Church Hall--Ukrainian food and crafts for sale, eat in or take home, pyrohy, stuffed cabbage, kapusta, kielbasa, and baked goods. Take Hwy. 121 between the cities of Lewisville and Frisco. When you reach the city limits of The Colony, look for Morning Star Road, which is west of Legacy and east of Paige Road. Morning Star Road is also the entrance into the Legends Residential Development and does not have a stop light. Head north on Morning Star until it dead ends into North Colony Blvd. Take a left for 5600 North Colony Blvd., St. Sophia's will be on the right.

April

4/3—After liturgy—Approx. 11:30--Tribute to Taras Shevchenko at St. Sophia Ukrainian Catholic Church Hall. See above & Dallas MAPSCO 554E.

May

May 2, 7 pm: UAST Board Meeting at On the Border, 1350 Northwest Highway, Garland. Open to members.

May 29, 2 – 6: UAST Spring Picnic at Canyon Creek Park, Richardson. From Coit Rd, go east on Campbell Rd west, turn north (left) on Nantucket Dr., then turn right on Copper Ridge, turn left on Flat Creek Pl. and then left on Aspenwood to the Park (Dallas Mapsco 7N). Bring a dish to share. UAST will provide grilling meats, drinks, condiments, plates and utensils, lawn games and fun! Swimming pool is open and free of charge that day! Contact Andrew to coordinate at andchob@swbell.net.

August

Date to be announced: Ukrainian Independence Day

October

Date to be announced: State Fair Heritage Day with Texas Cultural Partnership

November

Date to be announced: Annual Meeting of the Membership

January 2006

Jan. 7, 6 pm: Sviatia Vechera (Holy Supper)

Jan 14, 8:00 pm: Malanka, Ukrainian New Years Eve party (old calendar) at A. W. Harris Faculty Club, Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas.

An email of interest to our travellers to or from Ukraine from our Honorary Consul in Houston, Tx, Gregory Buchai

The main functions of the Honorary Consuls of Ukraine are:

- to render assistance within their consular jurisdiction to any Ukrainian national who is in distress;
- to help protect the interests of Ukraine and its nationals, both individuals and corporations, within the United States;
- to further the development of commercial, economic, cultural and scientific relations between Ukraine and the United States of America;
- to promote friendly relations between Ukraine and the United States of America;
- to inform authorities concerned about Ukraine, its developments in commercial, economic, cultural and scientific life.

Ukrainian visas and passports for Texas residents must be requested directly from the Ukrainian Consulate in Washington D.C., from the travel agency, or a visa service company

To obtain visa forms, passport and answers to questions read the appropriate section and follow the instructions in <http://ukraineinfo.us> –Read the Ukrainian version for more complex issues
For personal questions which are not available on the website, send an email to the Ukrainian Embassy at consular@ukremb.com in Washington D.C. Alternatively, you may call the Embassy at (202) 333 0606 (Dial "0" to speak to a live person), 202 333 7507, 202-349-3398, 202 349 2949, or send a **fax** to 202 333 7510.

To travel to Ukraine go to www.scopetravel.com or your travel agency. They can prevent many problems, arrange travel, hotels and visas.

To learn about Ukraine go to www.brama.com.

Send an email address olia2bill@mindspring.com to receive notices of Ukrainian events in Texas.

Insure that a self-return **Express Mail envelope**, with the two **money orders**, are sent to the Embassy of Ukraine in Washington, D.C. with any visa

request forms. Plan for a two week turn around for visas; unless a request is made a three day service for higher fee. See: <http://www.ukraineinfo.us/consular/visas.html>

To obtain a visa to the US from Ukraine,

the person has to set up an interview with the US embassy in Kyiv. All supporting documents must be presented by the applicant during the interview to:

Public Liaison Unit
Consular Section
US Embassy, Kyiv
<http://usembassy.kiev.ua/>
tel.: (044)490-4422
fax:.(044)216-3393

It is a pleasure to be of assistance to you concerning this matter.

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Recap on local happenings

Those who were unable to attend the Malanka at the A.W. Harris Faculty Club Southwestern Medical Center missed a grand affair. The food, setting and camaraderie were wonderful. The Zorya performance brought memories back for some attendees and made more memories for others. Joseph Buchma was the prize winner of the icon raffle.

Also, pertaining to the Zorya dancers, there is an interesting article on the group in the February 22, 2005 edition of the

The Dallas Morning News. Titled "Group a 'rising star' in Ukrainian dance", the article mentions several members, describes the dance and apparel and the practice routine while reviewing some of the traditions involved. In addition, the article elaborates on the tradition by stating that Vladimir Eliseev "will volunteer for a third year at Multicultural Awareness Day at Parkway Elementary in Lewisville. He plans to show students mementos and teach them Ukrainian words."

Two Metroplex Events of interest to Ukrainians and others:

- At an upcoming Pysanky Festival at St. Barbara's Orthodox Church there will be pysanky making demonstrations by skilled craftsmen along with eggs sized from chicken, goose and ostrich pysanky for sale (from \$10. to \$750).
Friday, March 11th from 9:00a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 12th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Pysanky Class:

- Two session class on Thurs. March 31st and Thurs. April 7th from 7:00 p.m. - 9 p.m. at St. Barbara's Orthodox Church. There is a total charge of \$50. plus \$10. for supplies. (\$60. total for the two evenings). St. Barbara's Orthodox Church is located in Fort Worth at 6525 Dan Dancinger Road just off of Granbury Road, one half mile southwest of South Hulen Street, next to car wash and across from the subcourthouse. (MAPSCO 102D)



Membership Report from Andrew Chobany:

Welcome to newcomers, Mary and Bill Hunchik.

Renewal thank yous to:

Liz and Ron Harper
Nadija Fuller
Chuck and Linda Neubecker
Serhiy Polyakov
Constantine & Irina Sabodash

There are many members who have let their membership lapse. Please check the expiration date on your UAST newsletter label and remit membership dues to address shown on Page 1 in the header as follows:
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Zorya needs YOU!

WHY Join Zorya?

Zorya is looking for folks who are interested in participating in our practice sessions. We offer the best workout this side of Golds Gym. We offer low impact and high impact aerobic, anaerobic, and cardiovascular stimulation. Whatever you call it, we've got it! You will certainly experience a great workout.

- FUN
- EXERCISE
- GREAT people to be with
- SENSE of adventure/history, and if you're Ukrainian, a little pride in one's culture
- FREE— As a member of UAST you are entitled to participate in the activities offered by Zorya.

WHAT is Zorya: Zorya is your local Ukrainian dance ensemble. Heading south, your next closest Ukrainian dance group would be in Houston, and heading north you'd have to go to Chicago.

WHAT do we do?— practice, perform, and celebrate. We've performed at the State Fair, San Antonio Folklife Festival, Westfest, Meyerson Symphony Center, Majestic Theater, McFarland Auditorium, Fredricksburg Kristkind Festival, Fort Worth Art Festival, Oktoberfest (Ft. Worth), and many others across the great state of Texas. We sponsor guest choreographers and guest Ukrainian dance groups to Dallas to teach new choreography.

WHO can dance?—everyone is invited—young and not so young. Men, women, boys, and girls are all invited to participate. We offer lessons for various skill levels.

WHO wants to dance?—that's what we're trying to find out! We know you are out there; we just need to find you. So if you read this, give yourself a push and come by our practice.

WHEN?—We resume practicing on Sunday, April 3rd, 3:30p.m. for junior dancers (6–14 years) and 5:00 p.m. for senior dancers.

WHERE?—Melva Smith Dance Studio, 19 Arapaho Village, Richardson, TX, (Arapaho & Westshore), MAPSCO 6-Z

WEB—check the web at www.uast.org and click ZORYA to keep up-to-date about Zorya activities.

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