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To members, parents, youth, and all supporters,

Hartujs'!

Spring has arrived and all thoughts have turned to the rebirth and renewal of the earth, grass growing, flowers popping up their colorful heads, Church holy days, family festivities, First Communion, Mother's Day, graduations, Father's Day, summer vacation planning...this is a very busy time of year, and it is even busier for Sumivtsi.

This year is especially busy, as we are celebrating our 60th Anniversary as an organization, in the United States and specifically, here in Chicago. We will also be commemorating the 10th Anniversary of CYM's Choir. And last but not least, WADFFU is celebrating their 25th Anniversary!

Some exciting things are happening on the oselia! Zaryad has taken upon the huge task of renovating the ten original motel units. Did I say renovate? It truly is much more, it involves removing the existing walls, installing insulation and replacing with new walls, bathroom fixtures, lighting, carpeting and new appliances. Originally, the plan was to have an outside contractor do the work, but upon further discussions among the team, the decision was made to do much of the work with our members and only use outside contractors where we did not have resources. In today's economy, we wanted to save as much money as possible. The work is progressing and the rooms will be available for use this season. Should anyone be interested in donating their time and/or financial aid, please call the oseredok or Mark Czerniuk.

While we are on the topic of oselia and the summer season, once again we ask for your assistance – if you or someone you know would be interested in working at the oselia, please call the oseredok to schedule an appointment.

We always need help on the oselia, getting the campgrounds ready for the camping season, cleaning up debris, cleaning the barracks, so if you are able, please let anyone in the uprava know.

Sviachene will take place Sunday, May 3 at 1 PM in CYM. All members must participate in uniform. Please come and celebrate with your children and grandchildren. Everyone is welcome!

Another fun event is SELOFEST, please join us on Saturday, May 9 at 5:30 PM for laughs with the theatre group, watch the dance performances, hear CYM's choir, enjoy food and drinks and just have some plain old fashioned fun with your friends and family.

In preparation for the end of the CYM year and before camps start, please join Bulava on May 30 for our final Apel as well as a celebratory buffet. All members must be in uniform and parents are encouraged to join in this closing Apel. Further details will follow.

Wings U-20 Soccer Club in conjunction and cooperation with Karpaty FC of Lviv will be traveling to Ukraine from June 17 – 27, 2009, to compete in several soccer games. Besides scheduled matches, the trip is intended to be a cultural and learning experience for all of the participating players. There will be sight-seeing tours included when not playing soccer so that the players will get the full experience and feel of Western Ukraine. The team is organizing different fund raisers to assist with the costs, if you would like to contribute, please see Paul Kulas or Mark Czerniuk.

Also, we are organizing and planning to attend Zdvyh in Ellenville, NY, which will take place Labor Day weekend. Our theatre group, Spalenyj Teatre, will be performing at Zdvyh. So, please watch the bulletin board in CYM, for further and more detailed information. Yunatstvo will be provided with fact sheets as soon as they are available.

So, please hold and save the below dates, mark your calendars:

May 3 - Sviachene
May 9 – Selofest
May 30 – Final Apel – End of Season Celebration
June 17 – 27 – Wings U-20 Soccer Club – Ukraine Tour
June 22 – August 2 – Summer Camps
August 8/9 – Baraboo Soccer Tournament
September 4 – 8 – Labor Day Weekend - 60th Anniversary Zdvyh in Ellenville
September 27 – CYM Fall Festival
October 3 – WADFFU Banquet
October 24 – CYM Choir 10th Anniversary Concert
November 14/15 – CYM Plenum
November 14 – 60th Anniversary Banquet

In the January newsletter, the list of debutantes was incorrect, and we would like to make amends and apologize for this misprint. There were three debutantes from our osередok: Solomiya Britska, Anna Dychyj and Elyssa Kulas. Please accept our sincerest apologies for the error.

Also, as promised, below is the list of the recipients and awards that were presented:

Vyznachnyj Chleny – Marijka Drozd, Taras Drozd, Marijka Dzwinyk, Taras Gawryk, Anna Szalewa and Mychajlo Tchoryk.

For 35 years of continuous volunteer work in the osередok – Jaroslaw Kulas, Julian Kulas, Myron Kulas, Dmytro Nowoshytsky, Ivan Pawluk and Yuri Wereszczak.

For 25 years of continuous volunteer work in the osередok – Jaroslawa Abramiuk, Wasyl Abramiuk, Stefan Babyk, Marijka Drozd, Stepan Drozd, Taras Drozd, Marijka Dzwinyk, Jaroslaw Fafendyk, Taras Gawryk, Irene Glubisz, Darka Harrison, Roman Kawka, Victoria Kawka, Marion Kolody, Olia Kolody, Chrystyna Kosacz, Bohdan Krutiak, Marijka Krutiak, Paul Kulas, Marijka Pawlos, Wolodymyr Popowycz, John Szalewa, Mychajlo Tchoryk, Anna Trynoha, Jaroslaw Trynoha, Chrystyna Wereszczak, Jaroslaw Wereszczak, Bohdan Wruskyj, Helen Zadoroznyj.

Once again, congratulations to all of the recipients! And please plan on joining us for our upcoming events.

We wish you and your families the happiest and holiest season celebrating the Resurrection of Our Lord!

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Готов Боротити!

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