Not long ago, I saw a musical called Avenue Q on Broadway. The name of one of the songs in it was “Schadenfreude,” a German word meaning “a malicious satisfaction in the misfortunes of others.” Its lyrics suggested that we all experience Schadenfreude, that everyone rejoices at the misery of others.

I didn’t like the song nor agree with its message. While it seems instinctive to feel glad that the pain we witness others enduring isn’t also happening to us, it’s difficult for me to believe that most people are actually happy that others are suffering.

Not long after I saw that musical, I told a friend who teaches in an elementary school about it. Surprisingly, she agreed with the songwriter that there is a universal tendency to rejoice at other’s pain. She maintained that many of her first-graders have already learned to clap when one of the other children fails or makes a mistake. “That’s why I don’t set up games that encourage competition with one another,” she said, “I teach the children to compete only with themselves.” At first, I questioned my friend’s approach. It’s true that putting children in competitive, win/lose situations certainly increases their opportunities to rejoice when others lose, but avoiding competition wouldn’t stop all Schadenfreude. However, when I considered the negative effects of competition as it has invaded everything from Little League baseball to the Super Bowl, from spelling bees to SAT’s, from local grocery stores to giant corporations, from interpersonal conflicts to major wars, I became convinced that, though competition is not the only source of Schadenfreude, it is definitely a very prevalent one. I began to believe that my teacher friend might be right and that reducing the number of win/lose situations would, at least, be a good first step in changing the Schadenfreude tendency.

I’ve been reflecting lately on how a society not built on competition would look. What would our country be like if politicians focused only on their own qualifications, not on denigrating their opponents, or if sports were played for the fun and skill of them rather than for the winning? Would we not be psychologically healthier if, from our childhood, we focused on cultivating our gifts without being concerned about who was number one? How much more energy would we have to do our best if our motivation were internal rather than driven by a desire for more money or a higher position? Because so much in our culture promotes competition, we continually create win/lose effects at that same location—then it was all history!

Arriving for Sunday Divine Liturgy the next day, expressions of anguish and tears were the common theme as we peeked inside of the church basements. Only the rectory basement, church school basement, and hall basement were filled with flood waters and sewage. Water was at the 9 foot level in the church hall. Fortunately, the water had stopped just short of the ceiling so that the first floors were not damaged by the flood. By 7:30 PM, tanks periodically, and be readily available to remove items that occasionally clog the draining hoses. Sherri Walewski and John Howe were diligent to the task until 4:30 AM when the water had receded to the three or four inches of mud and muck that remained.

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Two months later, on Friday, September 16 and 17, 2004, “Ivan the Terrible” hit Carnegie with brutal force. The rain started late Thursday and continued throughout Friday. With the storm lingering over Pittsburgh and surrounding area, in twenty-four hours Carnegie had almost six inches of rain. By Friday, September 17th excessive rain water and sewage caused a backup through floor drains, resulting in water pouring into the basements of Sts. Peter and Paul Church, parish hall and rectory.

Fr. Steve Repa got word to Michael Kapeluck, Parish President, about “some” water/sewage coming into the basements. Because most phones in Carnegie were out-of-order due to the lengthy storm, Michael was unable to phone for help. Fortunately, George Honchar and children, and Debbie Wolonchak were in the vicinity and they worked furiously to move items from the floors and place them at least two feet higher. Michael’s mother, Director of Corba’s Funeral Home, located just one block from the church, contacted Michael via cell phone to advise him that water was now entering the basement of their home and business. Michael rushed home to replicate the moving of items from basement floors, only to receive another call that the water was rising in the church basement.

The water was now at knee level and Michael, Fr. Steve, Sherri Walewski, John Howe, and Mark Swindle began moving valuable church historical records and books from our extensive religious library placing them in the pews in the church. Within ten minutes the water had risen to waist level. Fear was for their safety, but Michael, with the children, was determined to do their best. Water was back to waist level in the church hall. Fortunately, the water had stopped just short of the ceiling so that the first floors were not damaged by the flood.

By 7:30 PM, Sherri Walewski, had contacted “The Boiler Man” to get generators and pumps to drain the basements. Only the rectory basement had drained by itself. Because the contractor had so many calls, he installed the pumps and said that he could not assign a worker to constantly monitor the pumps, refill gas tanks periodically, and be readily available to remove items that occasionally clog the draining hoses. Sherri Walewski and John Howe were diligent to the task until 4:30 AM when the water had receded to the three or four inches of mud and muck that remained.

We were fortunate to have Divine Liturgy in our church, of course without electricity or lights. We were blessed to be able to pray together in “our Church.” We also invited Fr. George York and his OCA parishioners to join us. Fr. York gave us a much needed pep talk. Our Parish President captured the essence of the disaster when he spoke in church and commended those who gallantly, in the face of danger, “saved the Church’s history”—then broke our Church. We also invited Fr. George York and his OCA parishioners to join us. Fr. York gave us a much needed pep talk. Our Parish President captured the essence of the disaster when he spoke in church and commended those who gallantly, in the face of danger, “saved the Church’s history”—then broke into tears. The entire parish followed suit. After liturgy, we immediately regrouped and began the ugly task of “clean-up.” Groups were assigned to maintain an inventory, to attempt to save library and church school materi-

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Nako's News
Melanie Nakonachny, UOL President

Glory to Jesus Christ! Slava Isusu Christu!

It is difficult to believe that it is already November. In no time at all Thanksgiving will be upon us with St. Philip Fast following soon after. During this season, it is important to reflect on the past and all that we have been given—thanks to those who have come before us. I find this an especially important time to be reminded of the founders of the Ukrainian Orthodox League, V. Reverend Volodymyr Bukata and all of our ancestors who worked hard to establish this organization. I am sure that they would be proud of all that the U.O.L. has accomplished since its founding.

Sr. & Jr. Executive Boards Meet in Coatesville

October 1st through 3rd yielded a very exciting weekend for both the Junior and Senior National Executive Boards. Our fall meeting was held at Holy Ghost Parish in Coatesville, PA. It is always wonderful to visit a parish and feel fully at home. The National Executive Board held a very productive meeting, discussing many important topics such as the Sobor and the U.O.L’s involvement can be found in the January issue of the Bulletin to learn how you can help Holy Cross Mission Parish and other mission parishes in our Diocese.

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Parma Convention Profits - $37,245.29!

During that weekend the National Executive Board was pleased to receive, audit and approve the financial books from the 57th Annual U.O.L. Convention. We are so proud of St. Vladimir’s Chapter in Parma, OH for raising $37,245.29 through their convention. An immense amount of fundraising went into ensuring the convention was not only enjoyable but also financially successful. Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication to the League.

I would like to personally thank the Holy Ghost U.O.L. Chapter and their entire parish for welcoming us into their homes. If this meeting was any indication of the success that we will find at the 59th Annual U.O.L. Convention that they will host during July of 2005, I know it will be an amazing event.

“Ivan the Terrible” Causes Flooding in Carnegie

In late September the entire Diocese was saddened to learn about the great loss suffered by the Carnegie, PA parish due to flooding from the many hurricanes that have hit our country. With this sadness comes the opportunity to rebuild and strengthen their parish for the next 101 years of its existence. It is with love that the Ukrainian Orthodox League has made a $1,000 donation to their parish and their efforts of rebuilding what was lost during the flood.

Holy Cross Mission Parish in Wilmington, NC

I am pleased to announce that the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the U.S.A. has a newly established mission parish - Holy Cross Mission in Wilmington, NC. The establishment of this new parish involves countless hours of work and a great commitment. This year, as last year, the Ukrainian Orthodox League has chosen to focus on assisting our mission parishes. Please take note of the advertisement listed in this edition of the Bulletin to learn how you can help Holy Cross Mission Parish and other mission parishes in our Diocese.

I would like to congratulate everyone who worked so hard to ensure that the 17th Regular Sobor was a success. More information concerning the Sobor and the U.O.L’s involvement can be found in the January issue of the Bulletin.

As we prepare for St. Philip Fast and the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I would like to wish each and every one of you a peaceful advent. I hope that you and your Ukrainian Orthodox League Chapters take special time to help those less fortunate and plan a Lenten project that can truly benefit those in need.

I remain,
Yours in Christ, Melanie A. Nakonachny
This year has gone by so fast! We have accomplished many fundraisers. All of our efforts were filled with lots of laughter, jokes, hard-workers and lots of fun.

We have done a Lenten Dinner, painted icon stands for the church, ran the food stand at the bake sale and much, much more. The most favorite thing we did so far was the car wash. It was the event that everybody looks forward to.

The thing that we will miss the most is our seniors Stephanie Shirk and Colleen Scannell. They always walk into a meeting with a smile on their face. They always have a positive attitude. Good luck in whatever you do . . . also, Colleen was a member of the National Jr. UOL Board.

At the Parma Convention: Jackie Onysko, Meghan Scannell, Stephanie Shirk and Laurel Shirk

We are pleased to have such a great president this year in Megan Scannell and other officers; Vice President, Olenka Zharsky; Secretary, Laurel Shirk; Treasurer, Patrick Scannell; and Reporters Adam and Lauren Hatala! Our advisors are Father Zinoviy, Phil and Beth Harendza, and Pam Scannell.

Being the youngest members (at age 10*) in our Jr. UOL, we look forward to many more years serving our church, family, and Jesus Christ.

JOHNSON CITY

ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

1st row from left: Grace Hopkins, 1st grade; Victoria Wasyliw, 3rd grade; Michael Youmans, 3rd grade; 2nd row from left: Cassidy Sullivan, 3rd grade; Olenka Zharsky, 6th grade; Molly Hatala, 3rd grade; with Fr. Zinoviy Zharsky

Next Jr. Board Meeting – January 21st in Philly

Our first meeting was extremely successful and I look forward to our next board meeting in Philly the weekend of Jan 21st. As always, everyone is welcome to join in and share ideas at our meetings. I look forward to a very productive and exciting year!

Please feel free to contact me with questions, concerns, ideas, or updates on your chapters!

In Christ’s Love,
Katya Carman

She Survived the Flood!

ELIZABETH “Libby” MITCHELL
PAST U.O.L. EDITOR (for 13 Years)

Libby has survived the flood, the fall down the stairs and six stitches in her right leg, and is now recovering from the flu or something.

Get well wishes may be sent to:
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Glory to Jesus Christ! Slava Isusu Christu!
PARMA JR. U.O.L. CHAPTER NEWS—AN UPDATE

by Katie Samijenko, Chapter Historian

The weekend of September 11th and September 12th, was an exciting weekend for Parma’s Jr. U.O.L. As always we were busy, busy, busy!

Our Youth Room is Taking Shape

We kicked off the weekend by meeting at the Church hall and beginning the long task of painting our new Youth Room. We had tons of fun painting the blue, purple and red walls. Not only did we paint the walls, we also painted our clothes and even got some on the floor. Everyone was a big help, even some of the youngest kids of the church. We got an amazing amount done.

Jr. U.O.L. Officer’s Retreat Participants

We have Many Many Plans for this Year

With our year now begun we have had juniors coming to the hall after school to work on getting the Youth Room painting complete. The next step after the painting is to get new lighting and carpeting. We can’t wait until our Youth Room will be done and we can relax and enjoy it. What’s next for St. Vladimir’s Jr. U.O.L. Chapter? Two members will be attending the Youth Sobor in South Bound Brook, NJ. We are also planning a Pumpkin Party that will be held in late October. Also, our parish will be celebrating it’s 80th Anniversary in November and the Juniors are already planning on working hard to help make that event a success as well.

U.O.L. NEWS FROM YOUNGSTOWN

by Diane Senedak

Three Junior UOL members from Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Youngstown, Ohio graduated from high school this past June:

JOANNA WOLOSCHAK has been an outstanding role model for the youth of our church. She has been a church choir member for many years. Joanna has held all of the offices of the Jr. UOL since becoming a member eight years ago. Along with many school scholastic and athletic awards, she also received the prestigious Girl Scouts of America ‘GOLD AWARD’—its highest honor. Joanna has been a delegate to the national UOL Convention for the past five years. This summer she received the Junior Orthodox-of-the-Year Award (runner-up) and also was a recipient of one of the prestigious LSSK Scholarships. Joanna graduated from Jackson-Milton High School with honors. She will be attending Ohio University majoring in Civil Engineering.

MATTHEW STARR has been an active member of our Jr. UOL for nine years. He has volunteered for both church and UOL activities. He graduated from Austintown Fitch High School and a two-year program at Mahoning County Career & Technical School in Auto Technology where he received a Vocational Scholarship, Award of Distinction and Merit Scholarship. This fall, Matthew will be a student at the Universal Technical Institute in Phoenix, Arizona.

NICOLE BURLOCK graduated from Austintown Fitch High School where she participated in the German Club, Marching and Concert Bands, and Rifle Line. She was an officer and member of the Junior UOL for eight years and involved in many activities of our church. Nicole has been a delegate to the national UOL Convention for many years and served on the National Junior UOL Executive Board as Recording Secretary. This fall, she will be attending Youngstown State University in the School of Arts and Sciences.

All of our graduates have “grown up” attending All Saints Camp and plan on returning to this spiritual sanctuary whenever possible. Through numerous spiritual and Jr. UOL activities, they have inspired their peers to accomplish more with our church and the UOL. Joanna, Matthew and Nicole were presented with scholarships provided by our Youth Ministry, Orthodox Study Bibles from our parish, and a gift from our Jr. UOL.

Congratulations to our 2004 parish graduates! We wish you much success in all of your future endeavors.

Mnohiya Lita!

Jr. Chapter Writes About Ukraine Famine of 1932-33

Members of Sts. Peter and Paul Church School, Youngstown, OH entered an essay about the famine for the UOL Essay Contest. Their essay involved all Church School students in grades 9 through 12 and was entitled: “Memory Eternal: Remember the 7 to 10 Million Victims of the Ukraine Artificial Famine of 1932-33”.

Jr. UOL Members Showcase their Essay on the Famine
PITTSBURGH DEANERY SPONSORS VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL—2004
by Rev. Father Robert Popichak, Deanery Secretary

Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church and Very Rev. Father Steve Repa of Carnegie, PA graciously hosted the Pittsburgh Deanery Annual Vacation Church School July 12th through July 16th.

The theme for the week was "Meet the Four Evangelists." Twenty-six children between three and eleven years of age gathered for the Ninth Annual Vacation Church School sponsored by the Pittsburgh Deanery. Daria Masur, again, served as coordinator and organizer of this week-long event.

In an atmosphere of fun and fellowship, the children from various parishes throughout Western Pennsylvania gathered for prayer, crafts, songs, games, bible lessons, and class discussions based on this year’s theme.

Very Rev. Father Stefan Zencuch, pastor of Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Lyndora, PA, and spiritual director of the church school, offered instruction and held discussions with the adults as well.

Crafts correlated to the stories of the Evangelists and included a chalice, paintings, a crown, and a gospel book. The children even made an Orletz to give to His Beatitude Metropolitan Constantine, who visited during the week. Wonderful volunteers from all parishes taught the individual classes and were assisted by many parents who served as aides, assistants, and supplied the delicious snacks during the breaks.

The week concluded with the children presenting a program on Friday for parents, grandparents and friends displaying to everyone what they had learned. Mauri Gladys, music director, prepared and directed the program. The highlight for the children each day was the festive pizza party organized by Connie Markiw of Carnegie—which has become a tradition over the years.

Next year the theme will be "The Saints"— to celebrate the 10th year of this summer spectacular.

By the grace of God, and with the help of dedicated Christian volunteers who donated their time and efforts, seeds were planted, sown, and nurtured for the Glory of God!

Church School Participants and Staff

The volunteers included: Alexis Sawchuk and Tracy Galla, teachers, and Catharine Litvak, assistant, Sts. Peter & Paul parish, Carnegie; Rebecca Babiyha, pamphlets and registration forms, from St. Nicholas parish, Monessen; Kathy Perdziola, nurse, and Larissa Kocelko, teacher, St. Vladimir parish, South Side, Pittsburgh; Rose Raith, teacher, from Sts. Peter & Paul parish, Lyndora; Pani Dobrodycia Regina Popichak, registration and assistant, Holy Ghost, Slickville; Michele Kirilloff, craft teacher, and Gabrielle Kirilloff, aide, Holy Assumption of St. Mary Parish, South Side, Pittsburgh;

WE LOVE ALL SAINTS CAMP AND FAMILY FEST!

by Emily Kominko and Christy Bohuslawsky,
St. Vladimir’s Jr. UOL, Parma, Ohio

When one is asked what their favorite holiday is, the most common response probably is not Labor Day. However, if everyone had the opportunity to experience what we experience that holiday weekend, we bet they would change their minds.

Family Fest . . . Is It!

Leaves crackling under your feet, the smell of clean air, the sight of people swimming one last time before the summer is over…you know you’re at All Saints Camp for Family Fest. After three days of swimming, countless games of “The Name Game”, and reconnecting with friends, we left Family Fest 2004 refreshed and renewed.

All Saints Camp is Our Home Away from Home

The school year has begun, and the sound of chirping birds has been replaced with the sound of ringing bells. Although the year may be stressful, we are comforted by knowing that All Saints Camp is our home away from home and that we’ll be back soon!
als, and to begin removing everything that was devastated—and that was removing to the trash bin anything made of wood, plastic or fabric. Like-cases masks, were required, as well as the medical alert to ensure that those cleaning supplies that were donated by a merchant near his parish. to the Sally's. Fr. Tim Tomson, from McKees Rocks, delivered a van load of ever, on the third visit, the Adjustor had changed to "I doubt if anything will be appliances, and in particular, the kitchen equipment, was now underway. Only a most of the trash and muck had been removed. Now it was time for the restorationment was a total disaster, and we were instructed to remove everything. So, when actually, it had floated away in the opposite direction. Fr. Steve's base-bottom half of the door and other metal doors were simply bent by the water. There was an allegation that the OCA Church had stolen our trash dumpster, the bottom half of the door and other metal doors were simply bent by the water. There was an allegation that the OCA Church had stolen our trash dumpster, when in fact the force of the water had broken the door had been broken. When in fact the force of the water had broken the Jr. Chapter members (Anastasia Markiw, Natasha Walewski, Zach Kapeluck, and Julie Galla), diligent to the task of working in the mud and sludge. Note: As this goes to press, we have been advised that it is very doubtfulment was a total disaster, and we were instructed to remove everything. So, without utilities, he had to find housing elsewhere. It was interesting to see the water line on our hierarchics pictures in the hall: at the nose of the Metro-politan and Archbishop Vsevolod and at the chin level of Archbishop Antony. Monday on a "ray of hope" arrived from Parma, Ohio. It was Pete Osad. Of course, he just happened to have a day off and decided to stop by Carnegie. Surely, Tracy Galla had nothing to do with his presence. Pete not only added the muscular strength so badly needed, but was a great inspiration to every-one. Unfortunately, Pete was injured when a tool slipped and struck him on the nose and near his eye. Tracy was there for the rescue and the hospital diagnosed it as a crack in his nose and the force of a black eye. Pete could not describe everyone's appreciation for Pete's help. Pete visited us re-cently and is totally recovered.

The work is up until the end of this week. On Friday, September 23rd most of the trash and muck had been removed. Now it was time for the restoration company to continue. In addition, inspection of furnaces, hot water heaters, other appliances, and in many cases, the kitchen equipment was now under way. Only a few items were immediately declared restorable. The initial evaluation by the Insurance Claims Adjuster was that "it seems like things will be covered" since the initial damage was caused by the storm system and sewage system back-up. How-ever, on the third visit, the Adjustor had changed to 1 doubt if anything will be covered by insurance, because flooding is not covered by your insurance." But, the initial damage was caused by the drain system back-up!

The following Sunday, coffee hour was held. The upper level of the church hall with electricity and water being acquired from the church which was the only building with temporary electricity. Since then, the church board has met to establish a Parish Steering Committee to formulate the vision for the future of our parish. With the thought that "although the devastat- tion was great, we will view this as a blessed opportunity to make that which is so close to our hearts more beautiful, more functional, and stronger than ever." The people are also grateful because there were no injuries or deaths, and many people have offered assistance. Archbishop Antony's letter of appeal throughout the diocese is greatly appreciated. The National UOL, Executive Board sponsored a call to all the parishes in the diocese to have a Wellness Camp. The word went out. We raised $1,000 through bake sales, and the additional funds were donated by a merchant from near our parish. Food was purchased through a generous local company. The entire weekend was dedicated to serving others. The whole weekend was a great social ills. The Orthodox Church is spearheading education and treatment to alleviate these great social ills. A team will visit our own Ukrainian Orthodox parishes in rural Paraguay to do educational and witness service projects. Knowledge of Spanish and Ukrainian would be very helpful in this work. The parishes have a great amount of enthusiastic youth and it is hoped that your presence will help deepen their faith and ties to the church.

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We are grateful for the presence and leadership of our hierarchs; His Beatitude Metropolitan Constantine and His Eminence Archbishop Mathews, who have reposed in the Holy flock for many blessed years! May God mercifully rest them and grant them His Eternal Memory.

The Seventh-Day Adventists are a home-grown American sect arising from the so-called visions of a woman well over a century ago. They are deep into Millennialism, that is an obsesive interest in the end of the world. Their founder made one big embarassing prediction on the exact date of the end of the world—October 22, 1844. Perhaps this is why the Sabbath is the day reserved for our commemoration of the righteous dead. In any case, over the centuries there have been instances when small groups of people have come to the conclusion that the Jewish Law should again be kept. Even the Slavs who practiced Judaism before the Renaissance came to the conclusion that the divine message was that those coming to Christ from the Jewish Law should again be kept. Perhaps this is why the Sabbath is the day reserved for our commemoration of the righteous dead.

We encourage all parishes and chapters to promote and support the upcoming Sobor of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the U.S.A. and do their best to send delegates it. We strongly encourage the support of the parishes and chapters towards the participation of our youth at the youth Sobor that will be held for the first time in Sobor history in conjunction with the Sobor of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church.

We continue to support HR 591, a bill before Congress to authorize the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA) to establish a memorial on Federal Land in the District of Columbia to honor the victims of the Ukrainian famine-genocide of 1932-33. The bill proposes to allocate $250,000 and require the U.S. State Department to work with the Ukrainian government to establish a memorial in Ukraine. The memorial shall be a monument to the memory of the millions of victims of the famine-genocide of the Ukrainian people. The memorial shall be a commemorative and educational facility.

We rejoice in the ordinance of our newest clergy Father Deacon Mikhail Savarynsky, Pastor, and Father Deacon Anthony Perkins. May God bless them for responding to His call to serve Him on behalf of our Ukrainian Orthodox Church and her people. God grant them perseverance, wisdom, and wisdom to guide, teach and shepherd His holy flock for many blessed years!

We strongly encourage the continued support of the Historical Education Complex in South Bound Brook, NJ. We also encourage the support of the All Saints Camp Chapel and the acceptance of funds to be used in this project for the youth of our Church.

We humbly call our parishes to do everything in their power to fulfill the resolution of the last Sobor—to establish, support, and encourage Senior and Junior U.O.L. chapters.

We ask our members and chapters to pray for the men and women serving in the armed forces. May God protect them and aid them in their best to send delegates it. We strongly encourage the support of the parishes and chapters towards the participation of our youth at the youth Sobor that will be held for the first time in Sobor history in conjunction with the Sobor of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church.

We have in remembrance the blessed Memory of our reverend fathers, Rev. Victor Cooley and Archimandrite Anastije, who have reposed in the Lord. May God mercifully rest them and grant them His Eternal Memory.

We continue to support the resolution in UOL BULLETIN, September 2004.)

We encourage the Youth Ministry and its programs and applaud the efforts of every parish youth minister in his/her endeavors to cultivate and nurture our youth in the life of our Ukrainian Church and her Orthodox faith. We encourage every U.O.L. chapter to use the materials and programs provided by the Office of Youth Ministry.

We re Joyce and celebrate the anniversaries of our chapters this year, especially the 50th Anniversary of the St. Vladimir’s Cathedral, Parma, OH.

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2004-2005

DECEMBER
5 UOL BULLETIN submission deadline
8 Essay Contest – first mailing
22 Sr. and Jr. National Executive Board WINTER MEETING-Philadelphia, PA
30 Annual Fund Drive mailing

FEBRUARY
5 UOL BULLETIN submission deadline
28 LSSK Scholarship Applications mailed to chapters

MARCH
1 UOL Awards Applications mailing
5 UOL BULLETIN submission deadline
10 Essay Contest – second mailing
29 Chapter Election and Delegate forms mailed


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Ukrainian Orthodox League
July 27-31, 2005 - Northampton, PA
If you’re curious... Here’s the plan....
Wednesday - Hospitality
Thursday - Divine Liturgy at the hotel
- Welcoming Brunch
- Opening of Convention Business Sessions
- “Blast from the Past” Dinner & Dance
Friday - Business Sessions continue
- “Ukrainian Karaoke Kafe”
Saturday - Conclusion of Sessions
- Banquet and Ball, music by Fata Morgana
Sunday - Divine Liturgy at church
- Farewell Brunch
For more convention information contact:
Martha Misko & Linda Winters, Co-Chairs
Phone: (412) 263-5282 or (610) 347-1783

"Get well soon!") - He’s doing fine
Joseph Kolarchik
Joe is receiving appropriate treatment and is up and around.
Get well wishes may be sent to:
219 Bainbridge Dr., Aliquippa, PA 15001
(724) 378-2614

"Start making your plans!"
U.O.L. BULLETIN
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Contributor: Michael Danyo
Occasion: I wish to thank the UOL and the LSSK Scholarship Committee for the generous scholarship which I received at the 57th Annual UOL Convention. May God continue to bless the UOL and its noble work for our Church and with our youth.

Geof & Helen Greenleaf
Occasion: For the health of Kathryn Bailly with prayers for a speedy recovery.

Anonymous
Occasion: In honor of the UOL’s support and involvement in Our Church’s Youth Ministry Program, and its mission to develop the potential of our youth and encourage their active participation in the life of the Church.

Helen Greenleaf
Occasion: Thank You to the members of the Holy Ghost Senior UOL Chapter in Coatesville, PA for hosting the Sr. and Jr. National Executive Board meetings, October 1-2, 2004. The welcoming and warm hospitality was appreciated by each and everyone of us.

Lynn Szafranski
Occasion: CONGRATULATIONS to Daria Pushko and Michael Komichak on their October 10th wedding, and best wishes for a lifetime of health, wealth and happiness. Mnohaya Lita!

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