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OHIO SLAVIC CALENDAR

A summary list of coming events of interest. For details, see the OSEEN item (in this or past issues) identified by number in parentheses after each listing:

- March 22 - OSU Radio Series (588)
- 29 - OSU Radio Series (588)
- April 2 - Penčev lecture at OSU (590)
- 5 - OSU Radio Series (588)
- 7 - Riasanovsky lecture at Thomas More (591)
- 11 - Russian film at University of Akron (612)
- 12 - AATSEEL meeting in Columbus (603)
- 12 - OSU Radio Series (588)
- 14 - Medvedyeff lecture at University of Akron (612)
- May 1-3 - Midwest Slavic Conference in Cleveland (605)
- 6 - Slavic Day at OSU

UPCOMING MEETINGS

602. An International Symposium on Andrej Belyj will be held at the University of Kentucky, Lexington, from March 27 to 29, 1975. All interested persons are invited to attend and participate. Program coordinator is Professor Gerald Janecek, Department of Slavic and Oriental Languages, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY, 40502.

603. AATSEEL will meet from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, April 12 at the Scot's Inn in Columbus. Preliminary agenda:

1. Lecture by Vladimir Frumkin, Oberlin College, "Okudzhava, Galich, and Other Contemporary Soviet Bards: Their Poetry and Their Music."
2. Report on SLAVA, Slavic High School Honor Society.
3. Report on the Olympiada.
4. Report on the new exchange program with the Pushkin Language Institute in Moscow.
5. Plans for Slavic Day at OSU, May 6.

604. A Chekhov Symposium will be held from April 10 to 12, 1975, at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. All interested persons are invited to attend and participate in discussions. Write Professor Paul Debreczeny, Department of Slavic Languages, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC, 27514.

605. The completed program for the Midwest Slavic Conference, to be held May 1-3 at Cleveland State University, is now available (see the tentative program in the December 5, 1974 OSEEN). Copies and further information may be obtained from Professor Jeanette E. Tuve, History Department, Cleveland State University, Cleveland, OH, 44115.

FELLOWSHIP AND GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

606. A new exchange program for study and research in the German Democratic Republic has been announced by IREX. Because of the need to present a list of nominations in the very near future, IREX has set a deadline of April 1, 1975 for American participants. Except for the fact that during the first year of the agreement no provision is made for accompanying family members, the conditions of the exchange are similar to those of other IREX programs, and regular IREX application forms may be used. For further information, phone IREX at (212) 826-0230. Address: IREX, 110 E. 59th Street, NY, 10022.

FELLOWSHIP AND GRANT OPPORTUNITIES (CONT.)

607. Although the closing date for Fulbright-Hays appointments for 1975-76 for lecturing and research awards has passed, additional applications are still needed and will be accepted until candidates have been nominated. Fields include American studies, anthropology, arts, economics and business administration, engineering, mathematics, physical sciences, geography and geology, life sciences, linguistics and TEFL, public administration, and sociology. Write: Council for International Exchange of Scholars, 2101 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, 20418.

608. The People's Republic of Bulgaria announces the establishment of a scholarship to the Institute of Tracology in Sofia. Applicants should be "prominent or reliable researchers in the field of Tracian Ancientry and History of Southeastern Europe, Asia Minor and Black Sea Region" and be under 35 years of age. For further information, write the Embassy of the People's Republic of Bulgaria, 2100 - 16th Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20009.

SUMMER TOURS TO THE USSR

609. Dr. Marlene Struger, a faculty member at Cleveland State University and Cuyahoga Community College, will direct a tour through the Soviet Union from the Baltic to the Black Sea, including such cities as Moscow, Erevan, Tbilisi, Sochi, Kiev, Leningrad, and Copenhagen. Dates are June 19-July 10, 1975, and the total cost for flight and land arrangements (first-class, all inclusive) is \$1,329. For further information write to: Dr. Marlene Struger, 15487 Dale Road, Chagrin Falls, OH, 44022 (telephone: 216-338-3657) or contact Shipka Travel Agency, Inc., 5434 State Road, Cleveland, OH, 44134 (telephone: 216-351-1700).

610. The Youth Division of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship (156 Fifth Avenue, Suite 304, New York, NY, 10010 - telephone 212-989-6677) sponsors summer tours to the Soviet Union for people 18-30 years of age. This year's tour, extending from August 5 to August 24, will visit Moscow, Togliatti, Kiev, and Leningrad. Total cost: \$960.

INTENSIVE RUSSIAN AT OHIO UNIVERSITY

611. Ohio University in Athens will offer a course in Elementary Intensive Russian during the regular summer quarter, June 20-August 22, 1975 for twelve (12) quarter credits. The course will meet in class five hours a day, five days a week for ten weeks and will give one year's college work in Russian in one quarter.

RUSSIAN FILM AND LECTURE AT AKRON

612. Soviet Area Studies and the Slavic Studies Club at the University of Akron will present:

1. A Soviet film, "Yevgenii Onyegin," on Friday, April 11, 1975 at 8:00 p.m. in the Education Building, Room 110, for both University and Community members, and

RUSSIAN FILM AND LECTURE AT AKRON (CONT.)

2. A lecture: "Importance of Russian Language in Modern Scientific Publications," by N.S. Medvedyeff, formerly of Goodyear Aircraft Corporation, on Monday, April 14, 1975 at 12:00 noon in the Beech Room in the Gardner Student Center, for both University and Community members.

SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

613. From the data gathered on secondary school Russian programs in Ohio, the CSEES notes that among the teachers who responded to the questionnaire (28 out of 33, or 84%):

- 86% do not consider themselves native speakers of Russian;
- 28% report that they have attended an NDEA or other intensive Russian program in the United States for a summer session or longer;
- 42% report that they have been to the USSR.

Furthermore, the teachers report that:

- the median number of years of Russian teaching experience = 7.2;
- the median number of years teaching at their present school = 9.0;
- the median number of years teaching Russian at their present school = 5.8.

614. Natalie Cowan (Brookhaven HS, Columbus) writes that, "Russian is not offered in the junior high schools in Columbus Public Schools, so about ten of my juniors and seniors (Russian II and III) spent a morning at a feeder junior high school to recruit for Russian. They found the experience interesting. The materials from the high school workshops helped greatly; the students distributed all items."

615. The February, 1975 issue of Accent on ACTFL reports that a set of materials for high school Russian language promotion, RUSSIAN? KOHEHO!, is available for two ten-cent stamps from: The Coordinator for School Foreign Languages, 317A-318 Memorial West, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, 47401.

616. A comprehensive, useful address list of suppliers of books, films, realia, posters and other teaching materials for Russian is included in the recent publication, A Teacher's Notebook: Russian. The address list is one of ten chapters in the booklet, and to a secondary teacher who is looking for materials, the list of addresses alone is worth the \$1.00 price tag. Cash (or check) should accompany your order, which may be sent to: National Association of Independent Schools, Four Liberty Square, Boston, MA, 02109.

NEWS FROM ACTR

617. The American Council of Teachers of Russian (ACTR) announces that beginning in the academic year 1975-76 it will be possible for two groups of American college students, twenty-five in a group, to study Russian language and culture at the Moscow Russian Language Institute "imeni Pushkina." Details will be distributed by ACTR within a few weeks.

ACTR has invited teachers of Russian to a meeting at Northwestern University on April 19 to discuss the above and other matters of interest. On the following day, April 20, the Midwestern Regional "Olympiada" competition for high school students will also be held at Northwestern. For further information, write the Vice-President of ACTR, Professor Irwin Weil, Slavic Department, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, 60201.

KISSINGER MEETS WITH ACADEMICS

618. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger met recently (February 25) with a group of university presidents and others interested in international education to discuss the role of scholars in international policy-making. Among concerns voiced by the educators was "the general erosion of financial support for international education." Kissinger agreed to look into the funding problem and "at the close of a very cordial and direct meeting, the Secretary requested that another meeting be convened, at which he expected to be present, and at which he expected to hear concrete suggestions of mechanisms and funding proposals which would translate the hopes expressed at this session into specific and achievable projects of reciprocal value." Spokesman for the educators at the first meeting was President Steven Muller of the Johns Hopkins University.

APPOINTMENTS AND STAFF CHANGES

619. A new member of The Ohio State University faculty is Thomas A. Wolf, Assistant Professor of Economics. A specialist in East-West trade, Professor Wolf has been a Research Fellow at the International Institute of Management in Berlin and before coming to Ohio State was associated with the Bureau of East-West Trade in Washington, DC.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

620. Aneks is a political quarterly published in the Polish language in Sweden by a group of Polish refugees. The four issues published to date include contributions by Leszek Kolakowski, M. Djilas, A. Ulam, A. Solzhenitsyn, and others. The journal's aim is to provide the reader of Polish with "uncensored materials concerning Poland, the Soviet Union, and other countries of the communist bloc. Write Aneks, Box 230 57, S-750 23 Uppsala 23, Sweden. Annual subscription is US \$13.50.

621. A 97-page book entitled Library Resources for International Education is available for \$3.00 from the International Education Project, American Council on Education, One Dupont Circle, Washington, DC, 20036. The book contains chapters on library resources for different world areas, including a six-page chapter on "Soviet Union and Eastern Europe."