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November 20 Meeting to Feature Russian Language and Special "Salon" Performances by Members and Friends

On Sunday, November 20 at 3:00 pm Russian Heritage will meet in the Riviera Room of the Monte Carlo Towers at 3301 Bayshore Boulevard in Tampa. Richard Rappaport, a Russian Heritage board member is our host for this event, and all members and friends are welcome. The easiest way to find the Monte Carlo Towers from Pinellas County is to cross the Gandy Bridge, and stay on Gandy Boulevard until you reach Bayshore Boulevard. Turn left on Bayshore, go just past the Monte Carlo Towers at 3301, and turn left to enter the security gate.

The program of our meeting in Tampa will be a "salon" experiment, where members and friends of Russian Heritage will have an opportunity to recite a poem (in Russian), or sing a song (in Russian), or tell a story (in Russian). For those not fluent in Russian, do not worry. The introductions and explanations will be in English, but you will experience some of the Russian spirit and the Russian soul found in the language. Zakuski will also be served. We may also have some musical numbers and possibly some group singing. We hope to see a big turn out for this special event. If you are planning to come, or if you have something you would like to share for the program, please RSVP to heritagerussian@aol.com, or call 727-864-8235. We will also be announcing our language contest winners. (see page 2).

International Film Series at Eckerd College Features Russian Film on the Chechen Conflict. November 4 at 7:00 p.m.

"The 3 Rooms of Melancholia"

This poetic documentary, comprised of three "rooms" named Longing, Breathing, and Remembering, uses stirring images to depict the lives of children victimized by the Chechen conflict. (Directed by Pirjo Honkasalo, in Russian/Arabic/Chechen with English subtitles, 106 min., 2005) This film showing is free and open to the public.

Are you ready for the 2006 Cruise?

At an October meeting of the officers of Russian Heritage the idea of planning a cruise to Mexico in late November and early December was approved. We already have several cabins reserved, and our president and your our treasurer are looking forward to sailing with you next year. The reservation forms are on pages 3-4 of this newsletter, and we hope you will pay your first deposit with your reservations ASAP.

Old Russian NewYear January 15, 2006

Planning is going forward for the "Old Russian New Year's Celebration" for Sunday, January 15, 2006. You should have received your official invitation recently and we urge you to make your plans for the party soon. The reservations are beginning to come in. There is an order form on page 5 of this newsletter.

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Two Russian Language Contests

The year 2006 has been designated "Year of the Foreign Language" by educators across the United States. In honor of this special year, we are sponsoring several events, and advertising several others. Russian Heritage is sponsoring two contests: 1) "The Fifteen Most Useful Words and Phrases for Getting By in Russian", and 2) The Fifteen Most Intriguing "Words and Phrases". Prizes will be awarded at our November Russian Heritage Meeting on November 20. The first contest is open to both native speakers and students of Russian. Entries should give both the Russian words and the English translations, and should be sent to our PO Box or by email to: heritagerussian@aol.com. The second contest is primarily intended for non-native speakers who want to know how to say "Intriguing words and phrases" in Russian. Give us your English, and we will find the Russian equivalents. Only decent words! Prizes of \$25 awarded! So far only two entries have been received. This is your chance.

NOVEMBER 18, 2005 Russian Comedy Show Roman Kartsev performs in Clearwater

Noted Russian comedian Roman Kartsev will present his comedy show "Hi! By? America" at the Royalty Theater (405 Cleveland Street) in Clearwater on Friday, November 18 at 8:00 pm. With this concert the actor ends his last tour in the USA, which concludes his 43-year career. His son, the movie actor Pavel Kassinsky is also featured in the show.

Tickets are available from "Vladimir's Collection" (111 Second Ave. NE) in St. Petersburg.

New Russian Restaurant Opens on St. Pete Beach "St. Petersburg Nights" Features Traditional Russian Cuisine

The first week of November a new Russian restaurant, "St. Petersburg Nights" is opening at 6800 Sunset Way in St. Pete Beach. Russian foods and live music will be featured, with special Russian programs each Friday night. Closed Mondays.



FUNDRAISING CRUISE

Sail For 4 Glorious Days To The Western Caribbean from Tampa

November 30th – December 04, 2006 On The Inspiration

Day Port to Call Arrival Departure Thu Tampa 4:00 PM Fri Fun Day At Sea Cozumel 7:00 AM Sat 12:00 AM Sun Fun Day At Sea Mon Tampa 8:00 AM



Special Group Rates

Inside Cabin (4A) \$413.50 Ocean View (6A) \$473.50

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy and include part charges, government taxes and a tax deductible \$20 contribution (which the cruise line will match).

Help Even More By Inviting Your family And Friends To Join Us! For Reservations & Information Contact Travel Beyond 727-367-3737

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Reservation For "The Russian Heritage" Booking #8G60V6 November 30th - December 4th, 2006

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