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Russian Heritage Activities

The Second Russian-American Idol: Talent Show!!

Sunday, November 16, 2008 at 6:30 pm

St. Petersburg Nights Russian Restaurant

6800 Sunset Way on St. Pete Beach

Share your talent with other members and friends of Russian Heritage! *Details: p. 2.*

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SPIFFS International Ball: *Saturday, November 22 at 7:00 pm*

Come celebrate Russian Heritage's "Persons of the Year" at SPIFFS International Ball.

Banquet Masters in Pinellas Park (8100 Park Blvd. N). Menu: Roast Beef, Fish,

Chicken, Salad Bar, Dessert Bar. Awards Ceremony. Live Band!

Tickets: \$35. Contact Bill Parsons (727-867-9148) by November 10 for reservations.

This year our "Persons of the Year" are Gene and Mary Stenov. They are being honored for their leadership roles in Russian Heritage and SPIFFS.

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Old Russian New Year's Celebration!! *Friday, January 9, 2009*

We are having our big Gala on January 12, 2008 at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club!

Details Inside.

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Olga Camargo Sings Russian Romances

Sunday, November 9 at 6:30 pm at the St. Petersburg Nights Russian Restaurant

6800 Sunset Way, St. Pete Beach, FL Tickets: \$10.

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Russian-American Idol!

Searching for Talents to perform in a Variety Show!

Do you like to dance, sing, play a musical instrument, read poetry?
Do you feel a strong connection to Russia or other cultures of the former Soviet Block?

Share your talent with other Russian-Speaking members of our community!

Come and Join us at St. Petersburg Nights, Russian Restaurant and Lounge,
(6800 Sunset Way, St. Pete Beach, Fl 33706), for a

Talent Show

Sunday, November 16th at 6:30 pm

Competition on three levels: Children, Amateurs, and Trained Professionals

Participant prizes include souvenirs, gift certificates to the Restaurant, and tickets to
the Old New Years Ball

Free admission for all

If you would like to participate in the show, pre-registration is required.

With questions or to register, contact Vladimir at (727) 895-9755
(Sponsored by Russian Heritage, www.russianheritage.org)

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В ВОСКРЕСЕНЬЕ, 16-го НОЯБРЯ, В 6:30 ВЕЧЕРА

ЕСЛИ ВЫ поете, танцуете, играете на музыкальном инструменте, акробатику, показываете фокусы, демонстрируете животных и т.д. У ВАС ЕСТЬ ШАНС ПОДЕЛИТЬСЯ ВАШИМ ТАЛАНТОМ С НАШИМ РУССКОЯЗЫЧНЫМ ОБЩЕСТВОМ

В уютной и дружественной атмосфере русского ресторана St. Petersburg Nights
(6800 Sunset Way, St. Pete Beach, Fl 33706, www.StPetersburgNights.com)

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Membership 2009

All who are interested in Russian culture are welcome to join Russian Heritage by simply paying the yearly dues. Members receive the Russian Heritage Newsletter and discounts on certain events such as the Old Russian New Year Celebration.

Please print out the following form, and send the form with your dues, to:

Russian Heritage
PO Box 14552
St. Petersburg, FL 33733

Please check one:

Student \$0; Individual \$15; Family \$25; Sponsor \$100 or more.
School _____

Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Telephone _____
E-mail _____

I would prefer to receive my newsletter by

- regular mail
 e-mail

My interests in Russia and Russian culture are based on the following:

- I was born in Russia or the former Soviet Union.
 My family roots are Russian.
 I am married to a Russian.
 I love Russian culture, music, literature, etc.
 I have traveled to Russia,
 I have studied the Russian language and culture.
 All of the above.
 Other

I would like to see Russian Heritage continue or initiate the following programs:

- Old Russian New Year's Gala
 Russian concerts
 Lectures on Russian literature and culture
 Russian picnic
 Language classes for Russian
 Language classes for improving English
 Other

*Come Celebrate the 13th Anniversary
Old Russian
New Year's Celebration Gala*

*Friday, January 9, 2009
St. Petersburg Yacht Club
11 Central Avenue - St. Petersburg, Florida*

*Reception 6:00pm - Welcome 6:45pm
Dinner 7:00pm*

*Honorary Chairpersons:
The Honorable Mayor & Mrs. Rick Baker*

Dance to the Music of the Fabulous Dazzlers

R.S.V.P. with the enclosed card by December 20
Black Tie Optional*

Silent Auction throughout the evening

Old New Year Gala

С НОВЫМ ГОДОМ!
Russian Heritage Ball - Friday, January 9, 2009
An Old Russian New Year's Celebration

Name _____
Address _____
City, State _____
Telephone _____

Until December 20... *Early reservations encouraged*
Seats available at: ___ \$95 ___ \$80 Members with paid
2009 Dues

After December 20... ___ \$105 ___ \$90 Members price.

Indicate choice of Entree
___ Beef Stroganov ___ Fish Dementyev

Please seat me with the following people:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

*Check payable to: Russian Heritage.
Mail with form in the enclosed envelope.*



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September 20, 2008 Fall Meeting of Russian Heritage

At the September meeting of Russian Heritage we heard reports from several who had recently returned from Russia. Victoria and Victor Peppard reported on their travels on the River Cruise from St. Petersburg to Moscow. They enjoyed the trip, especially the on-board activities and musical performances, and the folk arts and entertainments in the small villages and towns along the way. Eckerd student Adam Colby reported on his semester of study and travel in St. Petersburg, Russia. Nadia Yevstigneyeva reported on her daughter's (Violetta's) recent trip to see family and friends in St. Petersburg. Unfortunately, Violetta could not come herself. Finally, Vladimir Khokhlov reported on his trip to Riga where he celebrated his 60th birthday with an anniversary concert in the Russian tradition.

Zakuski Competition Winners

Many brought appetizers for the *zakuski* competition. Everyone had a chance to taste delicious offerings, but in the end, the judges awarded first place to Mary Stenov, second place to Galina Malkin, and third place to Mary Stenov. First and second place winners won a one year subscription to *Russian Life* magazine. Third place was a wooden toy with a bear artist painting a matroshka doll. Congratulations to our winners!

Progress on the Russian Heritage Cookbook

The recipes for the *zakuski* belong in our projected cookbook, but we need more entries from our members and friends. Remember, we are looking for recipes, stories about the food in your lives, poems, drawings, anecdotes, and whatever else you want to submit. We have some interesting material already assembled, but not as much as we need. This is the time for your contribution. Send material to Mary Stenov, at marystenov@yahoo.com, or call her: (727) 867-6013.

Inna Povedskaya Writes New Book on Peter Demens

Tver historian and specialist on Peter (Dementyev) Demens has recently completed a new about the life of Demens in Russia and America. The book is called "Peter Demens: Self Made Man". The book is in Russian, but has a 20-page summary in English.

Inna Povedskaya will be in St. Petersburg, Florida in early January to talk about the book and her new research on Demens. In the next issue of the newsletter we will let you know when a meeting with the author will be scheduled. Some of you may remember Inna when she was here during the Symposium at Eckerd College in 2000 for the 150th Anniversary of Peter Demens' birth. She was also the curator of a museum exhibit that traveled from Tver to St. Petersburg to Vesegonsk in that same year.