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Free *everything* at Old South Side Day July 20

Event to commemorate south side cultural history in food, music, dance, procession

Arcadia Press recently released the book, *Milwaukee's Old South Side*, written by the staff of Urban Anthropology (UrbAn). In response to the publishing of this book, UrbAn and the NIDC are sponsoring an Old South Side Day that will educate (and entertain) residents on the history of their south side neighborhoods. The event will take place between 11am and 3pm on Saturday, July 20 at Kosciuszko Park, between 7th and 10th streets along Lincoln Avenue. The event is free to the public.

The boundaries of the area termed "the Old South Side" are Maple Street on the north, Cleveland Avenue on the south, Austin Street on the east, and 27th Street on the west.

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Milwaukee Inter-ethnic Forum

In June 2012 a Yahoo Groups forum was organized to connect ethnic leaders and active participants in ethnic activities to each other. Currently representatives of Latino, Polish, Jewish, African American, Arab, Slovenian, German, American Indian, Welsh, and pan-African groups are participating.

Anyone wishing to join can contact Yahoo Groups and search for the Milwaukee Ethnic list, and then sign on.



Old South Side Day, continued

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Free Food and entertainment

A free lunch will be served at the event that includes dishes made with neighborhood recipes, as well as festive hot dogs, chips, and soda or water. DJ music is available all afternoon, including the traditional music of the area's three largest cultural groups—Mexicans, Poles, and North American Indians. The event includes a performance by Ballet Folklorica and a singing/drum performance by the all-indigenous Strawberry Moon Women Singers (see photo on page 1).



Dedication of the trees

Early in the event, participants will be taken on a short tour of newly planted trees. Each new tree will be dedicated to a person who played a major role in the history of the Old South Side. Family members, representing each honored person, will speak briefly about their family's role in this history.

Tents mark the historical markers of the Old South Side

Participants will receive a self-guided tour sheet as they arrive at Kosciuszko Park. They can follow the guide to 15 numbered tents, all telling some segment of the history of the Old South Side. One might stop at the Forest Home Cemetery tent and learn about the early Indian mounds in the area. Or one might visit the tents of early families living on the Old South Side and hear stories about life in the late 1800s or the 1970s. Or one might visit the tent of the fair housing

marches to Kosciuszko Park in the late 60s and learn how the park was selected as a destination point of the marches. Children can visit a tent and play games that teach them the history of all area parks, and get a seed starter with an ethnic herb/vegetable to take home.

Free museum and Basilica tour

Across the street from Kosciuszko Park is the Old South Side Settlement Museum, which tells the stories about the early families in the neighborhood. Participants can visit this award-winning museum and enjoy a free, self-guided tour of a Milwaukee landmark.



Participants can also enjoy a free tour of the Basilica of St. Josaphat two doors down between 11am and 2:30pm.



Book signings

Book signings and sales will be available on Old South Side Day, at the entrance to the Old South Side Settlement Museum between 1 and 3. Jill Florence Lackey and Rick Petrie will sign copies of the recently released Arcadia book, *Milwaukee's Old South Side*. Margaret Rozga, the widow of James Groppi, will sign copies of her poetry volume on the fair housing marches, called *200 Nights and One Day*.

Luxembourgers to Celebrate Annual Luxembourg Fest of America

Event held August 9th to 11th in Belgium, Wisconsin



The Luxembourg American Cultural Society of Belgium, Ozaukee County, will be celebrating its 27th annual *Luxembourg Fest of America* from August 9 to 11 in Belgium. Fest Weekend will be kicked off on August 9 with an international Cultural Conference entitled "Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the book and documentary Film *Luxemburger in Amerika*". The conference will be held at the Prairie Conference Center in West Bend. Pre-registration is required.

Event honors *Luxemburger in Amerika* book and film

The conference will focus on the historic and sociological research done by Luxembourg journalist Roger Krieps in 1962 about Luxembourgers in the United States. Krieps published his findings in the book and documentary film *Luxemburger in Amerika* in 1963. Historian Fausto Gardini has translated the book into English and the film has been re-issued in English by Luxembourg's National Center for Audiovisual. Author Roger Krieps is now 87 years old and will be skyped into the conference from Luxembourg. Fausto Gardini will facilitate the conference.

Luxembourg Fest of America, the *World's Largest Luxembourg Family Reunion*, officially begins on Saturday, August 10 with the

impressive Fest Parade led by the Red Lion of Luxembourg and the traditional "Hammelsmarsch" procession of sheep. The Luxembourg band *Saxitude* will perform the Hammelsmarsch and will provide musical entertainment throughout the weekend. In addition to the parade, Luxembourg Fest features an Art & Craft Fair, Honored Family Genealogy Exhibits, Honored Family Pageantry, Outdoor Mass, Children's Enrichment & Entertainment Activities, Live Music, Food and Ethnic Food (including *treipen*-Luxembourg blood sausage), the 3rd annual *Minute to Win It Treipen Eating Contest*, French & German Translation Booth, a Book Sale and many other activities.

Author Fausto Gardini will be signing his latest book, the English translation of *Luxemburger in Amerika* along with other books. Wisconsin author Mark Speltz, who is of Luxembourg ancestry, will be signing his latest book *Botooms Up: A Toast to Wisconsin's Historic Bars & Taverns*.

Luxembourg's national beer featured

Luxembourg's national beer *Bofferding* will be premiered in the United States at Luxembourg Fest. The Fest is proud to announce that the *Men's Chorale of Luxembourg* will also be in attendance and will perform on Saturday and Sunday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. at historic St. Mary's Church in Belgium. This stone church built in 1884 by Luxembourg immigrants to Belgium, Wisconsin features 19th-century, archetypal Luxembourgish church architecture.

The new Luxembourg American Cultural Center in Belgium will be open for tours throughout the weekend and will feature a special exhibit honoring the *125th Anniversary of the Luxembourg Brotherhood of America*.

All are invited to experience Luxembourg Fest of America and discover one of the most unique ethnic groups in the United States. For more details about Luxembourg Fest and all of its activities and tours, visit www.luxamculturalsociety.org or call the Cultural Society at 262-476-5086. The Fest is free of charge and offers enriching fun for young and old!

Just who are the British?

New DNA study has a few answers



To most Americans, the British are the folks that appear on our TV screens during Masterpiece Theater (such as the full crew of *Downton Abbey*, seen above). Or that may just be wishful thinking.

But a new DNA study conducted by a team of Oxford researchers, led by geneticist Professor Sir Walter Bodmer, provides some interesting answers. First, most people living in the British Isles are remarkably similar, genetically speaking. They are also very similar to the French and Germans of continental Europe.

Clustered areas

Where DNA differences emerged, they clustered in 17 specific geographic areas. The most unique of these clusters was in the Orkney Islands, where residents have considerable Norwegian ancestry. A central and southern English cluster has the largest Belgian, Danish, and German contribution (which hailed back to the Anglo-Saxon invasion). The Cornish and Welsh clusters resemble modern French DNA. And Northern Ireland and Western Scotland appear to have common Irish ancestry.

What happened to the native British population?

With scant evidence of the ancient Romano-British population in cultural artifacts, some archaeologists had suggested that the Anglo-Saxons might have wiped them out. But the DNA findings suggest that remnants of this population did survive, probably through intermingling with the invaders.

Images from . . .

Minority Health Month



Speak a little German?

You're invited to attend a German Stammtisch!



There's an interesting and lively group here in Milwaukee that meets regularly to talk German. Called a "Stammtisch," it honors the old German tradition of reserving a table at a Gasthaus or café for a group of local people. They get together regularly to visit, talk, play cards and have social and political discussions . . . and drink beer!

During the months of June, July, August, and September, this modern version of the Stammtisch meets at the Estabrook Park Biergarten at 4610 Estabrook Parkway. It's informal—anyone can attend with no official membership necessary. There's no group leader and there isn't an official program. And it's "Dutch treat." Attendees pay for what they drink and eat. The only "rule" is that everyone speaks German. It doesn't matter what the skill level is—just come and have fun!

Who attends?

The people attending represent a mix of bilingual Germans, university students, foreign nationals, and Americans who want to improve their German conversation skills. It's an informal atmosphere where conversations cover travel, books, movies, news, politics—you name it. Come and meet new people, practice your German and have fun at a gathering place here in Milwaukee.

The Stammtisch meets at the Estabrook Park Biergarten every 1st Tuesday of the month, 6 to 8 pm. The Biergarten is modeled in the image of a modern day Munich beer garden. Picnic baskets are welcome.

For more information on the event or venue, contact sabine.schwarck@sbcglobal.net, theurich@ameritech.net, or go to www.wisconsincheesemart.com.

Invitation to join

The KRAKOW POLISH DANCERS of MILWAUKEE COUNTY invite guys and gals age 9 and up to join our award winning company. We rehearse weekly on Wednesday evenings from 6:45-8:30pm on the Southside of Milwaukee. Contact for more information: Annette M. Kuligowski at 414-521-5750

Pizza fundraiser for the Danube Cultural Society



Let our Youth Dancers serve you delicious pizza and pasta dishes in the quaint upstairs dining room or in the outside patio. All on site, carryout and frozen entrees orders will be available. Serving hours are from 3 pm to 9 pm. Bring your family or friends and enjoy the afternoon or evening dining in downtown Wauwatosa.

No coupon or flyer is needed. A percentage of the day's receipts will be donated to the DCS Youth Dancers for their pending travel and performance at Disney Land.

For further information about our organization or dance group check our website: danubeculturalsociety.com or find us on Facebook or email donau-mother@sbcglobal.net if you would like more information or are interested in having our group perform at your event.

August 4, 3pm to 9pm

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Tour the Old South Side Settlement Museum



Learn about the families and ethnic groups that settled this neighborhood by touring an historic house and its settlement rooms.

To reserve a group tour, call (414) 271-9417. The museum is located at 707 W. Lincoln Avenue.

Activities and events of Polish American Congress



Left to right: Dr. Mark Pienkos, President, Polish American Congress - Wisconsin Division, Dale Anne Craven and Phyllis Hopper (volunteers), Mr. Konrad Zielinski, from the Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Chicago

Independence Day/Veterans Day luncheon

On November 3, 2013, the Polish Independence Day/Veterans Day luncheon will be held at The Polish Center of Wisconsin located in Franklin. This annual event is sponsored by the Polish American Congress - Wisconsin Division. Last year, there was a record turnout with over 250 people in attendance.

Besides celebrating the 95th anniversary of Poland's Independence, organizers will commend Veterans for their service to the country. Individuals will also be recognized with the Congressman Clement J. Zablocki "Civic Achievement Award" for their service to Polonia. The reception begins at 12:30 p.m. followed by the luncheon at 1:30 p.m. Anyone interested in additional information may contact Mark Pienkos, President of the Wisconsin Division, at 262-325-8039 or markpienkos@wi.rr.com.

Advocacy for visa waiver for Poland

Finally, many Polish organizations and individuals had been active in contacting U.S. Senators in Washington, D.C. requesting their support to allow Poland to become a nation with visa waiver status. Donald, Mark, and Edward Pienkos wrote letters to the editor to several national newspapers regarding this issue.

One letter appeared in the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* on Saturday, June 22nd.

Festa Italiana celebrates food, family and fireworks, July 19-21

By Jessica Vollrath, Vollrath Associates

Festa Italiana is excited to announce this year's festival dates Friday, July 19 – Sunday, July 21, at Henry W. Maier Festival Park (Summerfest grounds) on Milwaukee's lakefront. Attendees can look forward to new and exciting entertainment, a variety of wines and spirits, Italian heritage and fun attractions for all to enjoy!



New look/new logo

This year, the festival is also getting a fresh new look. “Our new logo reflects a fresh, contemporary design that characterizes a festival both rich in tradition and one that is poised for success in the future. Staying true to our roots, the logo proudly displays the hallmarks of Festa – the Italian flag representing our heritage, a wine bottle symbolizing the presence of wine in our culture’s history and a fork representing a people passionate about food and family,” said Gina Spang, president of Festa Italiana. “Aside from actually eating in Italy, Festa is the next best thing. This year we will continue to offer classic favorites including rice balls, Italian sausage sandwiches, fried eggplant strips, calamari, panini, pasta and cannoli along with a few new items as well. We will also offer wine tastings and classes featuring some of the most famous and sought-after wines of Italy and Napa. Our popular gondola rides will return, in addition to the bocce tournament, Cucina Showcase and Pinocchio Parade.”

Fireworks and entertainment

Besides delicious food, Festa is known for having the best fireworks on Milwaukee's lakefront, and Spang invites people to come see for themselves. “Italian-style fireworks provided by Bartolotta are the brightest and loudest fireworks in the Milwaukee sky. We encourage everyone to come down and see what the buzz is all about!”

Announcements on entertainment acts, new food items, attractions and cultural exhibits will be released in the upcoming

weeks. Festa's traditional Sunday mass and procession will take place at 11 a.m. on Sunday, July 21, at the Marcus Amphitheater.

New this year, online tickets are available for purchase at www.festaitaliana.com. Advanced tickets are on sale now for \$10 through July 1. For ticket questions, please call 414-223-2805. Admission during the festival will be \$13.

About Festa Italiana

Celebrating food, family and fireworks, Festa Italiana is the largest Italian event of its kind in America today. The festival began in 1978 for the purpose of reuniting an Italian community torn apart by urban renewal projects and was the first lakefront ethnic festival in Milwaukee. Today, several ethnic festivals are celebrated on Milwaukee's lakefront and the city is now widely known as the City of Festivals. Through the dedication of more than 2,000 volunteers, the annual Festa Italiana has become a favorite family event to Milwaukee and surrounding areas.

Follow Festa Italiana on Twitter @FestaMKE. Become a fan on Facebook, www.facebook.com/festaitalianamilwaukee. For more information, please visit www.FestaItaliana.com or call 414-223-2808.

Festa Italiana is sponsored in part by MillerCoors, Spiked Island Adult Lemonade, Potawatomi Bingo Casino, International Autos Group, LoDuca Bros., Inc., Major Goolsby's, Pyramax Bank, Catholic Financial Life and The Bartolotta Restaurant Group.

Study tour to Wales

Plans are underway for the 38th medieval study tour, sponsored by Gymanfa Gana. Next fall's study tour focuses on the rich historical landscape, art, and architecture of Wales and its Borderlands. The tentative itinerary includes visits to Chepstow, Tintern, Cardiff, Caerphilly, Kidwelly, St. David's, Harlech, and many other sites.

Interested? Contact Professor Jane T. Schulenburg at (608) 262-8663 or jschulenburg@des.wisc.edu.

New publishing company will focus on ethnic Milwaukee

Presents opportunities for local writers



Milwaukee Ethnic Collection of Arts and Humanities (MECAH Publishing) recently opened in Milwaukee. Its goals are to:

- Interest readers in the cultural diversity of Milwaukee and its surrounding communities.
- Produce products that fit one or more of these arts and humanities: history, anthropology/archaeology, folk art, art history, museums, literature (including poetry and fiction), language, architecture, and religion.
- Target the products to lay audiences of all ages (e.g., non academic).

Products that relate to urban centers of southeast Wisconsin and highlight cultural diversity will be considered, and can include any of the following:

- Nonfiction books (e.g., small museums in southeastern Wisconsin, the history of Pentecostal churches in Milwaukee).
- Fiction books (e.g., a mystery set in Milwaukee, a book for young people with a local immigration theme).
- Documentaries (e.g., the Irish of southeastern Wisconsin; a reproduction of a play with a Milwaukee theme).



MECAH Publishing

Milwaukee Ethnic Collection of Arts and Humanities

MECAHMilwaukee.com

Looking for German Fest Volunteers July 25-28

Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age or older. They receive free parking, free admission, and a food/beverage voucher. Meet people and learn about German culture in food service.



Scholarship opportunities

If you are a high school senior going to become a fulltime college student this fall or a fulltime college student enrolled in a college, and you volunteer for two shifts at German Fest (10-12 hours total), your name will be entered into a drawing for a \$500 scholarship. Twenty winners will be randomly selected in fall.

Contact information

Please contact Irene Wagner by email: donau-mother@sbcglobal.net with your name, address, college student, and phone number. Ms. Wagner will then contact you to schedule shifts. If you know of anyone else who would like to volunteer please have them contact me also.

Come to German Fest!

Established in 1981, German Fest Milwaukee, Inc. strives to keep the German Culture alive and well in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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BASTILLE DAYS!

Milwaukee's Bastille Days is the largest in the United States. To volunteer contact Victoria Hagan at victorinah@afmilwaukee.org or call 414.964.3855

Thursday, July 11th - Sunday, July 14th

VOCABULAIRE AU RESTAURANT (AT LAKE PARK BISTRO!)

In the setting of Milwaukee's beautiful Lake Park Bistro, this popular class will help you navigate with ease French menus found in restaurants, bistros, cafés, wine shops, and food markets. Michael Dillon, author of *Eating and Drinking in Paris*, offers insight into useful vocabulary and phrases, cultural etiquette, and pronunciation. Class followed by delicious three-course prix fixe dinner experience at Lake Park Bistro! Taught by Dasha Pugacheva and Michael Dillon. No prior French experience necessary.



Cost is \$75 members / \$80 non-members. (Prix fixe three-course dinner, with taxes/gratuity, is included with cost of class.

Spouses and friends are invited to join students for dinner. Individual dinner cost is only \$50 per

person. Guest dinner reservations must accompany class registration. by calling the Alliance Française at 414-431-0943. For more information, please email nadaj@afmilwaukee.org. To register, please call 414-431-0943.

68B-Monday, July 29, Class 6:00-7:30 pm; Dinner 7:30

"IMPROVE YOUR ACCENT" WORKSHOP

Whether you are studying French and want to sharpen your accent or simply want to pronounce a bottle of wine without embarrassment, this workshop is for you. Using a series of exercises and activities,

you will improve your sounds, sentence rhythm, and intonation, as well as perfect the art of the elusive French "r." Class taught by Dasha Pugacheva.

Cost is \$25 members / \$30 non-members.

66C-Saturday, July 27, 1:00-3:00 pm

FRENCH FOR TRAVELERS

Headed to a French-speaking destination? Don't speak French? This four-hour crash course in *la belle langue* will give you tools you need to speak basic French in everyday situations. From ordering food to asking for directions to the Métro, this class is fun and interactive. There are over forty countries world-wide where French is spoken, so pack your bags and *bon voyage!* Taught by seasoned globe-trotter Sady Azefzaf. Cost is \$55 members/\$65 non-members.

62B-Saturday, August 10, 1:00-5:00 pm

LA FÊTE DU CERCLE D'OR

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Sunday, September 8th 4:00pm - 7:00pm

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UNICO organizations present 16 student scholarships

Recognition awards to Patrick Morgan and Angela Prochazka

By Thomas Hemman, Times Editor



1. Scholarship award recipients (l - r): Anna Maglio, Clare Lefavre, Hailey Pipia and Angelina Pankow. 2. Scholarship award recipients: Jake Corrao, Paul D'Alessio, Michael Manning and James Maslowski. 3. Scholarship award recipients: Nick Buzzanca, Jackie Baker, Jasmine Cordero and Katarina Schulz. 4. Scholarship award recipients: Claire Schroettner, Brianna Cardinale, Katharine Loomis and Christina Meyer. Photos by Thomas Hemman.

The Milwaukee Chapter UNICO National and Milwaukee Ladies of UNICO presented scholarships, totaling \$18,000, to 16 area students of Italian descent on Tuesday, May 21. The presentations were part of the program for the annual UNICO Scholarship & Awards Banquet held at the Italian Community Center.

The Milwaukee Chapter UNICO National also recognized its "Citizen of the Year," Patrick S. Morgan, the longtime Italian Business Manager of the Italian Community Center, Italian Conference Center and Festa Italiana. This award is conferred on an individual who has demonstrated extensive service to the Milwaukee community through civic, social and educational involvement. The award was first presented in 1941 to the late Milwaukee Mayor Carl F. Zeidler, who was killed while serving in the United States Navy during World War II.

The Ladies of UNICO honored longtime member Angela Lucia Gagliano Prochazka with its Star Award. This award is given in recognition of unselfish, exemplary service to the Ladies of UNICO by promoting the organization's programs of scholarships and community projects. The Ladies of UNICO first presented this award in 1995 to the late Elsie Mazza.

Each UNICO organization presented one \$2,000 scholarship. The recipients were: Paul A. D'Alessio, a senior at St. Francis High School, receiving the Theodore Mazza Award, and Katherine Clare Loomis of Greendale High School, receiving the Anita Mazza Award.

Each of the following high school seniors was the recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship: Brianna Rosalie Cardinale, Glendale Nicolet High School, the Grace Iacolucci Award; Jake Corrao, Waukesha South High School, the Tony and Sadie Machi Award; Anna Elizabeth Maglio, Whitefish Bay High School, the Gaetanina

Balistreri Award; Michael Steven Manning, Cedarburg High School, the Sam J. Balistreri Award; Christina Meyer, Wauwatosa West High School, the Phyllis Vitucci Award; Nicholas H. Buzzanca, Mequon Homestead High School, Milwaukee Chapter Award; Clare Lefavre, Wauwatosa East High School, Milwaukee Chapter Award; James S. Maslowski, West Allis Central High School, Milwaukee Chapter Award; Angelina Caroline Pankow, Milwaukee Lutheran High School, Milwaukee Ladies of UNICO Award; Hailey A. Pipia, Brookfield Central High School, Milwaukee Chapter Award; Claire Marie Schroettner, Our Lady of Grace Home School, Milwaukee Chapter Award; Katarina Mary Schulz, Whitefish Bay High School, Milwaukee Chapter Award. These college students received \$1,000 awards: Jasmine M. Cordero, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Italian Studies Award; Jackie Baker, Baptist College of Ministry, Alfred A. Silverman Memorial Music Association Award; The Anita Mazza, Gaetanina Balistreri, Grace Iacolucci and Phyllis Vitucci awards were presented by the Milwaukee Ladies of UNICO. The Theodore Mazza, Sam J. Balistreri, Tony and Sadie Machi, Italian Studies and Alfred A. Silverman Memorial awards were presentations of the Milwaukee Chapter UNICO National. All awards are administered through the UNICO organizations, except the Italian studies and the Silverman awards which is courtesy of the Albert A. Silverman Foundation. The high school award recipients were selected by a nonpartisan, non-Italian panel of dignitaries from the Milwaukee area. Doing the judging this year were Trini Schuman, choir, band and theater teacher at Dominican High School; Chris Grambling, vice president of finance, Amalga Composites, Inc.; and Sandy Kaiser, associate professor, fashion department, Mount Mary College. The Italian studies awardee was chosen by UW-Milwaukee Professor Robin Pickering-Iazzi. The Civic Music Association of Milwaukee selected the Silverman awardee.

The Milwaukee Ladies of UNICO also presented \$500 to the Italian Immersion Program at Milwaukee's Victory School for the Gifted and Talented. Last year, the Milwaukee Chapter UNICO National did the same.

Local play nominated for national award

The March to Kosciuszko, a play produced by Urban Anthropology Inc., and performed in November, 2012 at the Basilica of St. Josaphat, has been nominated for the Polish American Historical Association's Creative Arts Award. The play told the story of the fair housing marches to Kosciuszko Park in 1967 where the interests of local Poles and African Americans came into conflict.

New ethnic study begins



Between 2000 and 2012, Urban Anthropology Inc. studied over 60 Milwaukee ethnic groups. This resulted in the book, *American Ethnicity in the Early Twentieth Century: The Milwaukee Study* (in press, Lexington). One finding in the study that called for further research was the topic of work ethics. According to the majority of the 434 informants discussing this topic, first generation Americans hold a stronger work ethic than later generations of the same ethnic group. A follow-up study is now being implemented by Urban Anthropology to compare generations of ethnic groups on the work ethic variable.

SLOVENIAN UNION OF AMERICA BRANCH 43 CELEBRATES NEW YEAR'S EVE

5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. - December 31st, 2013
Wisconsin Athletic Club - 1939 So. 108th Street, West Allis

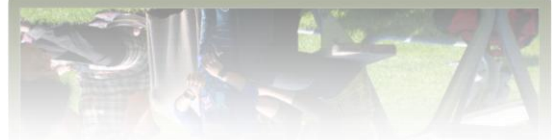
One of the most beautiful customs that Slovenian "BELIEVE" is to make all things right on the last day of the year. Neighbors, friends and family unite to agree to keep peace in the new year. This is the day to resolve disputes and make amends. Slovenians call New Year's Eve "Silvestrovanje" in honor of St. Sylvester, one of the few Popes who became a saint.

Come and join us for our first New Year's celebration - and renew old acquaintances, and possibly make new ones.

More details will follow in the next newsletter - stay tuned. Hope to see you all there. *Janice Luzar Gehm, PresidentSUA, Branch 43*

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World Refugee Day, June 20



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Submitting stories

Milwaukee Ethnic News is interested in stories from individuals, businesses, and organizations that have an ethnic appeal. These can be stories about an immigrant family, special ethnic events, or ethnic issues that need to be aired as guest editorials. Stories that show interethnic cooperation are most welcome.

Stories must be between 100 and 400 words. Some editing will be done to match our style guidelines and our spatial constraints. We will write the stories for you if you simply send us a list of the information that you want included. A photo of less than 2 MBs is always required for a story to be published. Please do not refer us to websites to collect information or photos. If we write your story from the general information you send, we do not send proofs for approval.

Stories are always due on the 25th of the month preceding a publication month. Publication months are July, September, November, January, March, and May. Please send your stories to JFLanthropologist@sbcglobal.net.

Editorials

Milwaukee Ethnic News occasionally prints editorials that deal with controversial topics on ethnic topics. Guest editorials are also welcome, but need prior approval to be published.

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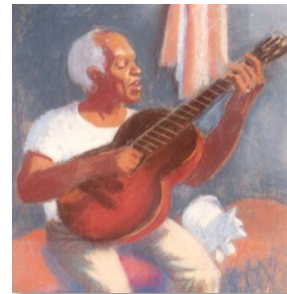
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GUEST

Editorial

*By Antonio J. Doxtator
Tradition Keepers Milwaukee*



I want to expose the problem of the Theft and Misappropriation of American Indian Culture and Spirituality in Southeast Wisconsin. Many citizens of Southeast Wisconsin are unaware of the comparatively small population of American Indians in their city. According to the 2011 United States Census there were 6,808 people who identified themselves as American Indian or Alaskan Native in Milwaukee County.

There have about twenty organizations that provide various services to their community. The majority of these services are found on the near south side of Milwaukee. These include a health center, Catholic and Lutheran churches, Indian Summer Festival, Indian Community School, and satellite offices for the Oneida and Ho-Chunk tribes.

The major tribes in the city are the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin, located near Green Bay, the seven northern Ojibwe bands, the Menominee Nation, Ho-Chunk Nation, Stockbridge-Munsee Nation, and Forest County Potawatomi. These tribes all have reservations in the state of Wisconsin. There are also tribes with reservations in other states who have moved to Milwaukee for their own reasons.

The theft and misappropriation I speak of is done by non-Indian individuals who may have had some interaction or a relationship with an American Indian person or community. The difficulty lies in that

American Indian spirituality is not regulated or protected by any laws or groups currently.

There are also 560 federally-recognized American Indian tribes in the United States, with their own history, culture, and language. Each tribe may have several spiritual leaders who perform their ceremonies and take care of their communities. Those tribal communities know their hierarchy and who is a legitimate teacher and leader. In the city it is a more difficult task with all the different tribes and spiritual traditions here that also include; western tribal spirituality, and the blending of Christianity and different tribal customs.

So there are many opportunities for individuals to take advantage of the lack of spiritual oversight in this community. There are also American Indians who are willing to assist them in their objectives. These may include financial, sexual, or emotional manipulation of vulnerable individuals who are seeking spiritual, physical, or emotional help.

Do your research

Please do your research before working with an American Indian spiritual person, and there are several web-sites you can view that expose frauds. Asking for financial payments is one warning sign, un-verifiable American Indian blood may be another, and disconnection from their community is suspicious. And never do anything you are uncomfortable with or puts you in danger. If it does not feel right it usually is not.



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