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CHEMICAL STINK

Multinational chemical firm denies it bribed Kozachenko; Court refuses to let former deputy prime minister out of jail

By PETER BYRNE

Post StaffWriter

he Ukrainian subsidiary of Syngenta, a multinational agrochemical company, has denied suggestions that jailed former Deputy Prime Minister Leonid Kozachenko received bribes from its predecessor companies.

"This simply is not true," Syngenta General Director Igor Kowal told the *Post* on April 8. "These allegations do not correspond with reality and we flatly reject them."

The latest charge was brought on April 5 by the General Prosecutor's Office, which claimed Kozachenko solicited and received stock valued at Hr 1.5 million from Novartis Agro and AstraZeneca in 2000. The agrochemical companies were shareholders in Ukragrobiznes, a joint venture then managed by Kozachenko.

Even before the bribery charge, the Kozachenko case had already drawn the attention of lawmakers, grain market players and foreign diplomats, who have expressed concerns that it marks the start of a reintroduction of state control over the grain market.

Kozachenko was arrested on March 24 on charges of abuse of office and tax evasion after President Leonid Kuchma ordered an investigation into the causes of volatility on the grain market.

A Kyiv appeals court on April 7 upheld an earlier ruling by Kyiv Pechersk District Court authorizing Kozachenko's pre-trial detention.

Judge Serhy Slinko ruled that if Kozachenko was released pending trial, he could prevent prosecutors from conducting an impartial investigation.

Through his lawyers, Kozachenko has denied the charges, which he says represent an attempt to restore the inefficient command-administrative system of managing the agricultural sector. "The actions of the GPO discredit the country's [grain] export policy and undermine Ukraine's international reputation," he said.

Kozachenko, 47, is a former collective farm chairman from the Fastiv district of Kyiv Oblast. In 1991, he was appointed to run the marketing and licensing directorate of the Agriculture Ministry. He went on to head the Ukrainian League of Agro-Industrial Complex Entrepreneurs for eight years before becoming president of the Ukrainian Agrarian Confederation in 1999. Kozachenko also ran Ukragrobiznes, a joint venture

formed in 1991 by a consortium of Western agrochemical companies, two Ukrainian banks and the Agriculture Ministry. The enterprise received pesticides from Western companies and sold them on credit to farms.

Vladislav Babovsky, who heads the Kyiv Oblast department of the plant protection inspection bureau of the Agriculture Ministry, told the *Post* that in the mid-1990s Ukragrobiznes dominated the commercial agrochemicals market.

Ukragrobiznes ran into difficulties after the 1998 financial crisis, when farmers were unable to pay for pesticide purchases.

Novartis Agro and Zeneca Ltd., wholly owned subsidiaries of Switzerland's Novartis AG and Britain's AstraZeneca, liquidated their stakes in Ukragrobiznes by gifting them to Kozachenko before the parent companies merged in 2000 to create Syngenta. The resulting company's global sales amounted to \$6.2 billion last year.

Kowal said the decision to give Kozachenko 36 percent of Ukragrobiznes' stock was made at a meeting of the venture's shareholders. He said the legal validity of the transfer was confirmed by two law firms, Baker & McKenzie and Klitochenko, Minin & Partners.

"The stock given to Kozachenko had a negative market value because agricultural producers could not pay



Syngenta General Director Igor Kowal denied April 8 that his firm bribed jailed former Deputy Prime Minister Leonid Kozachenko in 2000. (Post photo by Condi Scherrer)

for products supplied by Ukragrobiznes," said Kowal. Kowal added that Ukragrobiznes still owes about \$25 million to Western agrochemical suppliers. He said the debt to Syngenta amounts to about \$5 million.

Syngenta Financial Director Yury Zastavny told the *Post* on April 9 that his company had not received formal notification from the GPO about the bribery charges.

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Tymoshenko case thrown out by court

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(*AP*) An appellate court threw out criminal charges against a prominent Ukrainian opposition leader on April 9.

The Kyiv Appellate Court rejected prosecutors' claims that former deputy prime minister Yulia Tymoshenko hid hard-currency profits, stole state assets and bribed officials, according to her party and news reports.

"This is a happy day for me myself, my family and for our political team," the Interfax news agency quoted Tymoshenko as saying.

Last month, a Kyiv district court ruling gave prosecutors the go-ahead to press criminal charges against her.

Tymoshenko appealed despite enjoying prosecutorial immunity as a lawmaker.

Ukraine's prosecutor general accused Tymoshenko, her husband Oleksandr and other colleagues of misappropriating billions of dollars in state funds when they run the now-defunct Unified Energy System company, or UES, Ukraine's key gas dealer in the 1990s.

Earlier, prosecutors also accused Tymoshenko of bribing former Prime Minister Pavlo Lazarenko – now jailed in San Francisco on money-laundering charges – as well as abusing her authority as deputy prime minister in 2001.

Tymoshenko repeatedly denied any wrongdoing and said in a statement that the court's decision proved that the charges against her and her relatives were "fabricated" and "politically motivated."



Ministry reimposes spring bird hunting ban in 2003

By DANIEL MACISAAC *Post StaffWriter*

istry decided not to lift it." Domashlinets said several thousand waterfowl

German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder and visiting Ukrainian Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovych review an honor guard at the Berlin Chancellery on April 9. Despite the falling snow, the two men declined to be sheltered with umbrellas. (AP)

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Thousands of geese and ducks migrating across Ukraine have been granted a reprieve this month, thanks to an Ecology Ministry decision to retain its ban on spring hunting.

In effect since Soviet times, the ban was lifted for the first time in several oblasts for a week in April 2002, following what the ministry described as an extensive inquiry that included input from its regional offices, scientific institutions, as well as the pro- and anti-hunting lobbies.

According to Volodymyr Domashlinets, deputy head of the ministry's Wildlife Protection Department, it was decided following a similar procedure this year that the ban should stay in place.

"This year we repeated the process and received a lot of response from public organizations, regional authorities and scientific institutions," said Volodymyr Domashlinets, deputy head of the ministry's Wildlife Protection Department. "The scientists – from centers like the Zoological Institute, the Academy of Sciences of Ukraine and the ornithological station in Melitopol – and most of the oblasts were against lifting the ban this year, and the min-

were shot during the 2002 open season, which mainly affected several types of geese, including the wild European gray goose (also known as the graylag). But he said decreasing numbers of graylag and similar birds in Ukraine and Western Europe prompted the scientific community to oppose lifting the ban this time around.

He said Ukraine is party to a number of international conventions, including the Convention on Biodiversity, which monitor the health of species, populations and trends.

But Domashlinets pointed out that it was a Rada amendment that first paved the way for spring hunting to resume and, until legislation is changed, the issue will have to be readdressed on an annual basis. He insisted the ministry does its best to remain objective and base its decisions on scientific analysis

and recommendations.

"Our ministry lies between the public position against hunting and the position of the hunting lobby," Domashlinets said. "Every year, and probably again next year, we'll be in the same situation.

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Expatriate workers wire excess cash to relatives in Ukraine

By EVGENIA MUSSURI Post StaffWriter

Svitlana Bondarchuk from Ternopil is one of an estimated 5 million Ukrainians who have left their homes in recent years in search of a better life abroad.

For the past six years, 37-year-old Bondarchuk has lived in Greece, where she works as a seamstress for a small textile company, earning \$400 a month. Although her wage is low by Greek standards, it's enough to cover her living expenses and to allow her to send money home every two months to supplement her mother's pension.

"I decided to go to Greece because I knew I could find work there," she said. "The only jobs available in Ternopil would pay me enough to cover public transport, utilities, plus a liter of milk and a loaf of bread a day, and that's all."

Though she initially traveled to Greece on a tourist visa, her employer eventually helped her to legalize her status and obtain a work permit.

With just one visit home a year at Christmas, Bondarchuk often gets homesick. But she has no plans to return to Ternopil anytime soon, and she has even suggested to friends that they join her in Greece.

According to a report on the protection of the rights of Ukrainians abroad presented to parliament on April 2 by Rada Human Rights Ombudsman Nina Karpachova, almost one in five working-age Ukrainians are in jobs abroad.

Estimates of the total number of people who work abroad range between 2 million and 7 million people, Karpachova said. The Foreign Affairs Ministry says that 2 million are working abroad legally. Karpachova considers that the most realistic figure for legal and illegal workers is 5 million out of a uation, Karpachova said.

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- Svitlana Bondarchuk, migrant worker.

total workforce of 28 million.

The report said the main factors driving people to look for work abroad are high levels of poverty and unemployment at home. The State Statistics Committee reported that 27 percent of Ukrainians live below the poverty line, earning less than Hr 185 a month.

Poverty is greatest in Zakarpattya Oblast, where the rate is 47 percent. In Crimea, and Khmelnytsk, Kherson, Mykolaiv, Luhansk and Volyn oblasts the rate is between 32 percent and 37 percent.

Meanwhile, low wages mean that even those with work have difficulty making ends meet. In 2000, State Statistics Committee data pegged the hourly wage for jobs in manufacturing at a little more than Hr 3.

"Workers in the Czech Republic earn twice as much, and Poles make three times more," Karpachova said. Italians earned 27 times more on average, and Germans more than 50 times more.

Karpachova said that foreign workers generally receive lower wages than natives with equal qualifications. While legal workers like Bondarchuk may be grateful for even a low wage, those who work illegally are the most vulnerable to exploitation.

"Their working day may last 10 or even 18 hours," she said. "But the biggest problem that they face is getting paid at all."

She said that illegal workers are often not paid for months on end, and their employers may eventually turn them over to immigration authorities rather than pay them.

"I met Ukrainians when I visited a jail for women awaiting deportation in Greece two years ago," Karpachova said. "One of them told me that if she could have earned just Hr 200 a month at home, she would never have looked for work abroad."

The flow of people out of the country is having a negative impact on the nation's economy and demographic sit-

Rada Human Rights Ombudsman Nina Karpachova said that almost one in five workingage Ukrainians are employed abroad. (UkrInform) "According to experts' estimates, by 2026 the population will fall to 42 million [from 49 million at present]," she said. "And the current rate of migration means the decrease in population could

be even more threatening." However, labor migration still has some positive benefits for the country. The most important is the incoming flow of money.

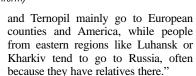
Like Bondarchuk, many workers send part of their wages to their relatives via mail, bank transfers or wire companies like Western Union.

Western Union data on its services show that Ukraine is second only to Mexico for incoming wire transfers.

According to Peter Hnatyuk, Western Union's regional representative for Ukraine, Georgia, Armenia and Central Asia, the main sources for cash transfers to Ukraine are Italy, Spain, Portugal, the United States and Russia.

Russia is also among the top five countries worldwide for incoming transfers, Hnatyuk said.

"People who live and work abroad send money to their families," he said. "People from Western regions like Lviv



While Karpachova said it is impossible to establish exactly how much money is sent to Ukraine by labor immigrants, she cited data from a study carried out by the Labor Ministry and Ternopil Oblast Administration that showed that workers from the oblast send home \$100 million every year.

Turning to ways Ukraine could help improve conditions for its migrant labor, Karpachova suggested that the government should try to make money transfers to Ukraine easier and reduce the cost of banking services. However, she did not suggest how this could be done.

Karpachova said that a wide-ranging government program on migration is urgently needed.

'It is necessary to develop a draft migration policy to regulate the outflows of people seeking work abroad and the inflow of migrants coming here from other countries," she said.



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Journalist, diplomat die in traffic accident

By EVGENIA MUSSURI

Post Staff Writer

A well-known journalist and the senior project officer of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe's mission to Ukraine died in a traffic accident outside Kyiv early April 9.

Oleksandr Kryvenko, 39, the president of Public Radio, was killed when a car driven by Georgian diplomat Gizo Grdzelidze, 61, skidded off the road and hit a tree on the Chernihiv highway outside Kyiv.

Traffic police said that officers stopped Grdzelidze's Volkswagen Golf 20 minutes before the accident and warned him to drive more slowly.

"There are several possible explanations for the tragedy: Either the driver was distracted, he fell asleep, or he was suddenly taken ill," Oleksy Kolynsky, the head of traffic police for Kyiv Oblast, told Public Radio.

Kolynsky said that he expected further investigation to shed more light on the causes of the accident. There have been no suggestions of

foul play.

Lala Kemularya, Ukrainian repre-

rights group Reporters Without Borders, called Kryvenko's death "a major loss for Ukrainian journalism." Kryvenko, a founder of the newly formed Independent Journalists

Union, was known for hard-hitting political reporting and as a champion of press freedom. A Lviv native, he founded one of

the country's first independent newspapers, the daily Postup (Progress), in 1989.

An active member of the national democratic People's Movement of Ukraine (Rukh) in the early 1990s, Kryvenko later moved closer to the political establishment in Kyiv.

In 1996, he served as an advisor to Prime Minister Pavlo Lazarenko. He was also a member of the political council of the pro-presidential People's Democratic Party (NDP).

Kryvenko returned to journalism in the late 1990s, working on the TSN news program for the Studio 1+1 TV channel and editing the weekly magazine Polityka i Kultura (PiK).

He was also a founder of Charter 4, a non-governmental organization set up with funding from international

sentative of the international media donors to protect freedom of speech and promote ethical journalism.

In February 2002, Kryvenko joined Public Radio, a project sponsored by the Soros Foundation and the European Commission.

Striving for objective coverage of events, Public Radio invites a wide variety of politicians and other public figures for interviews.

After Public Radio was denied a radio frequency by the National Council for Television and Radio Broadcasting, it was forced to broadcast over the Internet to reach its audience.

Kryvenko had four daughters aged between 13 and 17 years old.

Grdzelidze, a veteran Georgian diplomat, had served as Officer in Charge of OSCE's Project Co-ordinator's Office in Ukraine for more than a year and had worked for the OSCE for more than six years.

He had formerly been Director of the Department of Information for the Foreign Affairs Ministry in Georgia

Working closely with Ukrainian governmental agencies as well as other international and non-governmental organizations, Grdzelidze was involved in the implementation of

Public Radio President Oleksandr Kryvenko, seen here in a file photo from April 2002, died in a traffic accident near Kyiv on April 9. (Post file photo)

numerous programs in Ukraine, espe- was deeply loved here and he will be freedom of the media.

"Gizo was a person who always thought of others before he thought of himself," said OSCE Project Coordinator in Ukraine David Nicholas. "He Ukraine.

cially in support of rule of law and missed. The OSCE offers its sincere condolences to his family and to that of Mr. Kryvenko."

Grdzelidze is survived by family members in Georgia, Israel and

New law defines censorship, reduces risks for journalists

By EVGENIA MUSSURI

Post StaffWriter

Recognizing that the country has a problem with political censorship, parliament has passed a law defining the phenomenon and establishing measures to counteract it.

While some press freedom advocates are heralding the new law as an important victory, others fear that it will do little to improve the current situation.

On April 3, 252 of 438 deputies present voted in gavor of the law on political censorship.

The law defines censorship as the requirement by state authorities that a journalist, editor or the management of a media organization obtain approval for publication of information, or the

imposition of a ban on publication or distribution of information. Prohibitions against mentioning certain individuals or criticizing government or its officials are also defined as censorship.

Those found to have been responsible for censorship can be prosecuted in accordance with the Criminal Code.

The Rada's Freedom of Speech and Information Committee drafted the bill after parliamentary hearings devoted to political censorship were held last Dec. 4.

Mykola Tomenko, the committee's chair, said adoption of the bill demonstrates that parliament supports the creation of a censorship-free society.

The idea to provide a legislative definition of censorship originated with the Kyiv Independent Journalists

Trade Union.

Natalia Lihacheva, editor of the Telekritika Web site and a member of the KIJTU, welcomed the law.

"I think this bill will have a positive effect on freedom of speech, since it gives a detailed definition of censorship," Lihacheva said.

Lihacheva said that officials frequently claim that there is no censorship in Ukraine simply because there is no legal definition of it.

'Now the definition of censorship in the law describes it in just the form it exists in reality," Lihacheva said.

Ihor Lubchenko, the head of the Ukrainian Journalists Union, agreed that the bill is a positive move, but he pointed out that there are still no guarantees that journalists will make use of it.

"This is a good bill," Lubchenko said. "It clearly states what censorship is, but the situation will depend on whether journalists appeal to prosecutors and the courts to defend themselves."

Lubchenko said that while the country's legislation is generally quite good, the real problem lies elsewhere.

"Our laws are good in general," Lubchenko said. "But the problem is how these laws are enforced and practiced."

The law also regulates media liability and reduces its vulnerability to legal action. For example, it states that journalist will not be held liable for expressing critical views, even if they are not based on facts, except when the materials are intended to offend or libel an

individual. However, Lihacheva warned that this wording leaves room for political pressure.

"The trouble is that there is no definition of offense or libel," she said. 'Therefore much will depend on interpretation by individual judges."

Nor will journalists be held liable for publishing false information if a court decides that it was based on conscientious research.

In another provision that has won praise from press freedom advocates, the law states that officials wishing to sue journalists or their employers for defamation may not demand financial compensation.

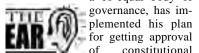
"This means there will be no chance for media to be bankrupted through lawsuits," Lihacheva said.

Deputies suspect gulf between Kuchma's words and his intent

By JIM DAVIS

Post Opinion Editor

President Leonid Kuchma, always more interested in getting his way than in dealing with the parliament as a co-equal body of



governance, has im-plemented his plan for getting are for getting approval of constitutional

require approval from the parliament," Zadorozhny said.

None of the considerable number of lawyers who serve in the Rada and consider themselves constitutional experts, has any idea just how the president and his men could glean such a meaning from the current constitution.

Zadorozhny's statement may have deputies guessing as to its meaning, but being reintroduced in final form for most Rada members think they underthat stand the president's intentions in spite of his loud protestations to the contrary. In his earlier statements on the constitutional amendments, Kuchma indicated that he believes that all elections should be held in the same year. Approval of this particular constitutional changes would seem to have only one of two results. The first possible result would be a shortening of the terms of current deputies, having them stand for election at the same time as the presidential election in November 2004. Most deputies find this a repulsive idea since it would mean undertaking the extremely expensive chore of mounting a campaign for parliament approximately 17 months earlier than they might expect under the current constitution.

plan of the president is to achieve the opposite effect, a prolongation of his own term.

According to the scheme now envisioned by the Presidential Administration, after a 30-day period of national discussion, the original presidential draft will be amended to include provisions suggested by citizens, before Rada approval, in the hope of acquiring

Hrytsenko also reported the results of a nationwide poll conducted recently for the Razumkov Center. The poll revealed that 34 percent of respondents were unclear about the meaning of the presidential proposals, 3 percent claimed they had been coerced to participate in meetings devoted to discussion of the amendments, and 81 percent reacted negatively to any extension of the president's term in office.

official meetings at such Washington think tanks as the Carnegie Foundation for Peace, where he will speak at a breakfast meeting on April 11, taking up an invitation he had turned down due to illness in January.

While the minister is chatting up Washington opinion makers, he will likely have to discuss the contents of a letter from the American Chamber of Commerce in Kyiv making it plain that the Chamber strongly disapproves of government efforts to reverse years of progress toward making the grain market more competitive and transparent. The letter, signed by Chamber president Jorge Zukovski, has reportedly already been delivered to Azarov personally. The letter lists a number of complaints and concerns, summed up in a concluding paragraph as follows, "Reestablishing Ukrainian state control of the agrarian sector will have a negative influence on the export potential and an even more damaging effect on the international image of Ukraine." It is inevitable that Azarov will get questions at this and other Washington events since the Chamber letter has already been widely distributed to the press, think tanks, and members of the Senate and House of Representatives.

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amendments would make massive changes in the way Ukraine is governed.

It was clear from comments made in the parliamentary hearing devoted to the proposed constitutional changes on April 9 that few members really trust the president's protestations that he is not seeking to extend his term and almost none are buying into his plan for topping the legislative branch with a new upper chamber that would, as envisioned by the president, give him and his successors a strong advantage in getting his way with the parliament.

During the hearing, the president's representative in the parliament, Oleksandr Zadorozhny, made a statement that has most members scratching their heads and wondering just what the president has up his sleeve.

"The laws endorsed in a referendum may have higher power and do not

Deputies are prone to take a much more cynical view of the situation. Many of them believe that the true

a constitution-changing tally of 300 votes in favor.

Most Rada observers believe passage of the presidential drafts in anything near the original form is extremely unlikely. While deputies certainly do not like the prospect of seeking reelection at an earlier date, they are even more unlikely to accept the presidential proposal for a bicameral legislative body. Deputies see this as an attempt to establish a second parliamentary body, made up almost totally of presidential appointees from the regions, that would tip the balance of power so completely in the direction of the president to make the whole legislative process very much a presidential rubber stamp affair.

Summarizing his impressions of the hearing, Oleksandr Hrytsenko, president of the Razumkov Center, described the presidential draft as "an attempt to strengthen authoritarianism."

Justice Minister Oleksandr Lavrynovych proudly told the Rada on April 9 that 343 letters and telegrams in support of the presidential proposals had been received from labor cooperatives and other such entities around the country. However, he failed to comment on the widely heard allegations that state enterprise directors and others subject to government control were called in by regional officials and threatened with dismissal if such expressions of support were not forthcoming.

AZAROV FINALLY GOES TO WASHINGTON

First Deputy Prime Minister Mykola Azarov has been in Washington this week, leading an official delegation for the usual round of meetings with the U.S. government, the World Bank and the IMF.

In addition, Azarov is having semi-

Hunters, NGOs clash over shooting issue

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The public will appeal again to keep the ban, the hunters will want it lifted, and we'll find ourselves between a rock and a hard place."

Some of that discomfort was felt last month at a debate on the subject of spring hunting staged at the Journalists Union on March 18 by Green Dossier, a nonprofit information and publishing center specializing in environmental awareness.

Director Tamara Malkova said Green Dossier tried to ensure that the 40 participants represented a cross-section of the hunting debate, including journalists, academics, students from the Green Future community group as well as members of the hunting lobby from magazines like Safari Ukraine and associations like the Ukrainian Association of Hunters and Fishermen.

"I think it was a successful debate; it was a very active discussion if, at times, almost too active," Malkova said. "But the main thing is that everyone felt the law should be changed and made clearer so as to avoid confusion and conflict.'

Domashlinets was also on hand with his colleagues from the ministry. He said that while the majority of those in attendance were pleased to learn the ministry would likely not be lifting the ban this year, they were also under the mistaken impression that the ministry was already in the process of working to amend and clarify the existing legislation. He said that process has not yet begun.

Still, representatives of NGOs like the Dniprodzerzhynsk-based Voice of Nature said they were glad for the chance to be heard.

"It was a very constructive discussion, and I think the spring-hunting supporters understood just how

strong the opposition is from society and the NGOs, declined since Soviet days – a number of powerful and how the NGOs and the ministry now take the same position," said Natalya Vishnevska, a campaign coordinator for Voice of Nature.

As Vishnevska pointed out, part of the reason scientists have voted against lifting the ban this year is that several of the species of geese concerned are considered to be endangered, as well as difficult to distinguish by those who hunt them.

"Hunters can't distinguish the endangered species from the healthy species, and there are small populations of all of them in general," she said.

Oleg Dudkin, a guest expert at the debate and a conservation officer with the Ukrainian Union for Bird Conservation, said the country's hunters want to target birds during their spring migration, since Ukraine serves as a stopover for many Arctic and northern breeding bird species. These include the graylag goose, bean goose and white-fronted goose, as well as what he described as globally threatened species such as the red-breasted goose and the lesser white-fronted goose.

"The problem, for example, is that it is impossible to differentiate between flying white-fronted geese and lesser white-fronted geese," Dudkin said. "Only very experienced hunters can identify the birds even when they're roosting. And, since the two species tend to flock together, the question of hunting is made even more crucial for the endangered geese."

One thing is for certain: the spring-hunting debate is bound to continue. There are some 480,000 registered hunters in Ukraine, and as the anti-hunting lobby points out, while the number of active hunters has, along with the economy, political leaders, including Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovich, are keen hunters.

Oleksandr Ostryk, general director of the privately run Kashtan Hunting Operator, raised a number of related issues. He said that spring hunting is allowed in both Belarus and Russia, so that the birds will likely be shot at even if they pass through Ukraine unscathed, leaving local hunters out of luck and the industry underdeveloped. Ostryk also pointed to the role of poachers.

"Go to the fields right now and you will hear the shooting," he said. "Ban or no ban, the fact is that hunting is occurring in towns and villages around Ukraine anyway."

What is required, Ostryk argued, is greater regulation and the development of a proper hunting industry for the benefit of both hunters and wildlife.

No advocate of hunting, Dudkin agreed on the need for regulation, but said the task is currently too big for the State Ecological Inspectorate, the enforcement wing of the Ecology Ministry.

Dudkin said that wealthy poachers pose a particular problem for biodiversity and especially for endangered species.

"[Inspectorate] staff can visit the field only two or so times a year because of financial restrictions. On the other hand, there are people with off-road vehicles and expensive guns who can shoot anything they want the whole year long," Dudkin said. "Of course, unqualified restriction of everything forever is not the way to reach positive conservation results, and that is why the legislation needs to be improved."



Natalia Vishnevska, campaign coordinator with the Voice of Nature NGO. (Post photo by Natalya Kravchuk)

Minister says unregulated market hurts growers, traders

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'We have responded to the allegations based on media reports," Zastavny said. Kozachenko attorney Ihor Usenko told

Interfax-Ukraine on April 7 that prosecutors formally presented bribery charges on April 5.

A GPO spokesperson told the *Post* on April 9 they had no information about the bribery charge. Polina Bashkina, press secretary to General Prosecutor Syvatoslav Pyskun, was unavailable for comment.

Kozachenko left Ukragrobiznes in June 2001 to become deputy prime minister for agricultural policy in the government of Anatoly Kinakh. He was dismissed last November after Kinakh was replaced by Viktor Yanukovych.

The case against Kozachenko is one of dozens opened by prosecutors after Kuchma ordered the General Prosecutor's Office on March 13 to investigate abuses in the grain market. The probe began after oblast governors began prohibiting the shipment of grain outside their regions in early March citing shortages.

Andry Yarmak, an analyst at APK-Inform, an agricultural news agency, said that bread prices began rising throughout the country in February with flour prices jumping almost 20 percent. He said if prices continued to climb then bread price hikes would be unavoidable.

According to Yarmak, the country harvested 38.5 million tons of grain in 2002. He said that exports in the 2002/2003 growing season would likely total 11.5 million tons. The season runs from July to June. Domestic consumption during this period is expected to be 28.5 million tons. Yarmak said the resulting deficit of around 1.5 million tons could easily be made up from state reserves and undeclared stocks held by producers and traders.

Kozachenko's arrest followed reports in state-run media that farmers had been coerced by the government to sell too much of their grain to exporters last year. Volodymr Klimenko, the general director of the Ukrainian Grain Association, a trade association uniting grain traders, told the *Post* that the charge is unjustified.

"Companies or government officials certainly should not bear the responsibility if the official statistics turn out to be inaccurate," said Klimenko.

He said that the arrest of Kozachenko would likely have a negative impact on the volume of private financing of the agricultural sector.

On April 4, 183 lawmakers, including 24 deputies belonging to pro-presidential factions, asked the GPO to ensure that the

investigation of the Kozachenko case was objective and independent. The request was made a day after 247 deputies supported a bill to create an ad hoc commission to examine the state of the nation's grain market

Agriculture Minister Serhy Ryzhuk said on April 8 that a presidential decree on regulating the grain market was being prepared. He insisted, however, that the decree would not introduce "limitations or administrative regulation of the market." He said it was designed to "stimulate the actions of the executive branch in creating a civilized grain market."

He said that the need for regulation is clear from the fluctuations in prices, harvest yields and export volumes.

"Everyone loses from this - producers and traders," he said.

The arrest of Kozachenko and the prospect of re-introduction of state regulation of the country's grain have alarmed Western diplomats.

Among those expressing concern was Canadian Ambassador Andrew Robinson.

Robinson was quoted by Interfax-Ukraine on April 3 as saying that recent agricultural reforms had contributed significantly to the nation's economic growth in 2002.

"Small- and medium-scale agribusinesses became lucrative due to the existence of a free market without help from the state," Robinson said. "I know that Kozachenko was one of the main defenders of the reform policy in agriculture."

Robinson noted that Canada has launched two projects worth \$8.9 million in Ukraine's agricultural sector.

"When we announced the projects, we underlined the correlation between our decisions and further reforms in agriculture," Robinson said.



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Pynzenyk follows a liberal trajectory

Veteran lawmaker, economist links his future with Yuschenko

By PETRO STEBNYTSKY

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A former academic economist, Viktor Pynzenyk has served in governments under four prime ministers.

associates of presidential frontrunner Viktor Yushch-КорреспонденТ enko in his Our Ukraine bloc.

Although briefly a member of the Communist Party

during the late 1980s, for the last decade Pynzenyk has been a dedicated liberal and monetarist, consistently championing free market principles and opposing government intervention in the economy.

Born in the Zakarpattya Oblast village of Smolohovytsa in 1954, Pynzenyk graduated from Lviv University's economics faculty in 1979. He later taught economics in Lviv while working on his doctorate at Moscow State University.

Following independence, Pynzenyk declined the post of finance minister in the government of Vitold Fokyn, the country's first prime minister.

"I couldn't imagine then I'd ever become involved in politics," he recalled.

Pynzenyk changed his mind by December of that year, when he took part in parliamentary elections. Today, he claims that the decision to run for office was more by accident than design.

"I don't even remember who suggested that I take part. I didn't prepare for the campaign," he said.

After his main rival, Rostislav Bratun, withdrew from the race. Pynzenyk won in the second round with 94.3 percent of the vote. He attributes his success to the public's interest in electing people who did not think along traditional communist lines.

MINISTERIAL HISTORY

The following year, Pynzenyk was again offered a Cabinet post, and this time he did not refuse. He served for 10 months as economy minister and deputy the public of the introduction of the prime minister in the government of Prime Minister Leonid Kuchma.

Pynzenyk says that the nation's leadership and government at that time lacked desire to conduct reforms. His resignation was in response to an order foreseeing a five-fold devaluation of the karbovanets (the country's transitional currency). Viktor Susloy, an adviser to the prime minister who later served as economy minister, prepared the order.

"I was the only person in the govern-Now leader of the liberal Reforms ment who opposed this decision," he and Order Party, he is one of the closest said. "When the new rate was intro-

duced, I had no option but to resign." Political scientist

Mvkhailo Pohrebynsky said that neither Pynzenyk or Volodymyr Lanovoy, his predecessor as economy minister

and a fellow reformer, had any real power. "No real power was ever entrusted to them, but they had time to do some stu-

pid things and, to be fair, they did some useful things as well," Pohrebynsky wrote in an article in Russky Zhurnal in November 1998.

A year after his resignation, with inflation running at 72 percent per month, Pynzenyk returned to the post of vice prime minister – this time in the government of Vitaly Masol.

Many of Pynzenyk's critics have held him personally responsible for the hyperinflation that afflicted the country in the early 1990s.

In a 1999 interview, Socialist Party leader Oleksandr Moroz said that in 1994 Pynzenyk "implemented Cabinet decrees that were adopted 18 months previously. They completely killed the economy."

Pynzenyk, on the other hand, blames the hyperinflation on parliament.

"Parliament regularly decided to print more money," he recalled. "I often tore out of my office in the Cabinet of Ministers and rushed to the Rada when I heard about such proposals. Sometimes we managed to stop them, but in many cases the printing press was already working at full speed."

Pynzenyk remained in the government after Masol's resignation, continuing to work under successors Yevhen Marchuk and Pavlo Lazarenko.

In September 1996, it was Pynzenyk who, together with then National Bank Governor Viktor Yushchenko, informed hryvna as the new national currency.

Pynzenyk claims at this time the authorities were achieving some success in bringing the economy under control and creating conditions for growth. However, lack of commitment to reform meant the chance was squandered.

In early 1997, while serving in the Lazarenko government, Pynzenyk took a prominent role in the drafting of a 250-bill economic growth package. The package foresaw the introduction of budget reforms and tax cuts.

In April 1997, after the Rada failed to adopt the package, Pynzenyk resigned.

"There was no point in my staying in the government. I couldn't stay as a silent witness, because I knew what this meant for the country," he said.

Shortly after his resignation, Pynzenyk published an article in the weekly Zerkalo Nedeli. In it, he predicted that if the nation failed to attract investment and create conditions for private business to work, the country would be hit by inflation and instability.

The predictions were in part fulfilled. The exchange rate of the hryvna fell three-fold between 1997 and 2000, when the economy eventually started to show positive growth.

PARTY LEADER

Pynzenyk was elected leader of the Reforms and Order Party in fall 1997.

Pynzenyk said that Reform and Order was founded because the country lacked a party standing for a platform of economic liberalism. He also said that lack of political support had made it harder to work in the government.

The party was created on the basis of the Reforms faction in parliament and the Young Ukraine political movement six months before the 1998 parliamentary elections. The new party garnered only 3.13 percent in the party list ballot and failed to get into parliament. By the end of the year, however, the party was able to create its own faction from deputies elected in single mandate constituencies.

The party did not put forward a candidate in the 1999 presidential election, instead supporting Rukh leader Hennady Udovenko.

Meanwhile, Pynzenyk has long enjoyed good relations with Yushchenko.

"I was always with [Yushchenko], wherever he was. I know for sure that



A close associate of Viktor Yuschenko, Viktor Pynzenyk has served in four governments, and may be called again. (Korrespondent photo by Dima Gavrish)

we will stick together in the future as we have in the past," he said in an interview in December 2001.

Reforms and Order was the only party to take the lessons of the 1998 parliamentary elections to heart. As early as summer 2000, Pynzenyk was talking of the need to create a coalition of center-right parties. The first step in that direction was the formation of a bloc by Reforms and Order. Udovenko's Rukh and the Congress of Ukrainian Nationalists in fall 2000. Yury Kostenko's rival Rukh party joined the bloc later.

After Yushchenko was dismissed from the post of prime minister in spring 2001, Reforms and Order decided to move into the opposition. Pvnzenvk describes his current attitude toward President Kuchma as neutral.

Yushchenko's ouster gave a strong push toward consolidation of centerright forces. In October 2001, Reforms and Order was one of the founders of the Our Ukraine bloc. The bloc gained 23.57 percent of the vote in the March 2002 elections and formed the largest parliamentary faction.

Pynzenyk is reluctant to talk about his plans for the future. But he makes no secret of the fact that he prefers working in the government to the parliament.

"The best period in my life was my work in the government. I know this work, and I know what to do," he said.

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Closure for Kolchuga

After months of corrosive conflict with the United States over whether Ukraine supplied sophisticated Kolchuga radar equipment to Iraq in defiance of UN sanctions, the matter was suspended by U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Steven Pifer when he said that the issue had been "put in a box."

This move served its purpose at the time, allowing both nations to concentrate on issues of a more immediate and less divisive nature. However, placing the Kolchuga issue on a diplomatic back burner never meant that the issue was dead. It continues to hover like some spectral presence, and will continue to do so until the time when the matter is effectively settled.

No issue in modern times has cast a greater wedge between the United States and its traditional allies as the war on Iraq. The war does provide an opportunity to determine with finality whether Iraq possessed Kolchuga systems and, if so, to have some idea of their provenance. As the war grinds to a close, the question of whether Kolchuga played any part in the conflict should be settled within a matter of weeks - perhaps even days.

In the past, U.S. handling of the matter was presumed to be based on the fact that revealing its evidence against Ukraine on the Kolchugas would place the U.S. in the position of endangering intelligence sources in Iraq. With the Iraqi regime crumbling, there appears to be nothing to stand in the way of a full accounting. Let the world judge the strength of the United States' evidence.

If Kolchuga systems are in Iraq as charged and if Ukraine is proven to be their source, then it is highly likely that President Leonid Kuchma will become, at least from the standpoint of U.S. opinion, even more of an international pariah. This does not necessarily mean degraded relations, but it is hard to imagine how relations could be improved so long as Kuchma remains in office.

However, if there is no evidence that Kolchugas existed in Iraq, then immediate opportunities to improve U.S.-Ukraine relations should be opened. No doubt Kuchma will feel that he is owed an apology. It is hard to deny that such will be his right.

No matter how embarrassing it may be, the United States has a responsibility to make its findings on the issue public. Keeping any exculpatory finding quiet would be unacceptable in view of the U.S.' previous handling of the matter, particularly its rather obvious warming to Kuchma when the exigencies of the war situation made it desirable.

No matter what the end results of the search for the Kolchugas, we believe that it is time to take the matter out of the box and to deal with it definitively. Neither country is served by allowing the matter to continue to fester.

End the Babyn Yar wrangling

For too long, a dispute has simmered over the proposal by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) to fund and build a community center at Babyn Yar, site of the largest Nazi atrocity on Ukrainian soil during World War II. Of the approximately 100,000 persons who were either murdered at the site or whose bodies were later deposited there, the majority were Ukrainian Jews.

Initial objections to building the community center on a mass grave have been dispelled. Jewish religious authorities have determined that no human remains are buried at the site. Development, flooding and time has obscured the precise location of the bloody ravine at Babyn Yar.

The investigation resulted in a finding that Jewish religious law does not bar use of the site for the planned memorial. In addition, competent Jewish religious authorities have clearly stated that none of the various functions planned as a part of the community center in any way violate Jewish religious law.

Those who agreed to fund the center have made plain their unwillingness to erect the center at any other site.

The Soviets never allowed a truly appropriate memorial to be built at Babyn Yar. To continue wrangling over this issue, 60 years after the deaths of so many is itself a desecration of their memory.

Since there is no valid religious objection to the center being built as and where the donors desire, we believe that those who attempt to thwart or modify the project on other grounds are wrong. The time has come to put the arguments aside and to move forward with construction of the project.



Commemorating 1943 events in Volyn

The recent friendly relations between that at the border Ukrainians are treated Ukraine and Poland are nothing new, terribly. "There's one (Polish) shift having been developing for some years that's terrible...they call Ukrainians in spite of the historically troubled relations between the two countries. However, the upcoming commemorations of ish History at the University of Toronto, the events generally referred to as the confessed to me, its fine for his fellow

massacres of Poles in Volhynia in 1943 may put Ukrainian-Polish relations under considerable strain.

Polish-Ukrainian reconciliation has been promoted since 1945. The most influential Polish emigre journal Kultura published in Paris from the late 1940's always championed reconciliation with Ukrainians. This view was unpopular among Polish emigres but found resonance

within the Solidarity movement in the 1980's.

By the late 1980's when Solidarity and the opposition movement emerged from the underground to sit at a roundtable with the Communists, their views on Ukrainians were completely at odds to those that I had grown up with among emigre Poles in the U.K. Solidarity activists, such as Jacek Kuron, reiterated that "Without a free Ukraine there cannot be a free Poland!" and attended the founding congress of

Rukh in 1989. With funds from Ukrainian equivalent of Kultura -Suchasnist, Solidarity groups printed and smuggled literature to-

Polish opposition.

pigs, or say 'get out of here, you stink.' As Professor Piotr Wrobel, chair of Pol-Polish academics to be

"anti-Ukrainian" but not 'anti-Semitic." Nevertheless, 300,000 Ukrainians working are inside Poland.

Historians, writers, religious leaders and political parties have nourished the Polish negative stereotype of Ukrainians for more than a century. This was

even the case in Commu-Kuzio nist Poland when criticism of Russians was not permitted.

However, at the same time the Communist authorities published countless books with mass circulation, films, and even school instructional materials that inculcated a stereotype of genocidal anti-Polish Ukrainians. Such views were also common in Polish Diaspora newspapers.

Books and other media articles propagating these stereotypes about Ukraini-

TO CLAIM THIS WAS A Prolog Research, publishers of the "PLANNED GENOCIDE," IS ... A GROSS EXAGGERATION.

occupied Europe not to collaborate with the Nazis. This myth ignores an important factor in the Volhynian conflict when Ukrainian policemen who fled to the UPA were replaced by the Nazis with local Poles. Some Poles also collaborated with the Soviet forces, the arch-enemy of the UPA.

INFLATED NUMBERS

A March University of Toronto talk by University of Alberta doctoral student Krzystof Lada claimed that 390,000 Poles lived in 1,150 settlements in Volhynia. Of the 390,000 Poles in Volhynia, Lada calculated that 33,000 died in 1943, some 8.5 percent.

To claim that this was a "planned genocide," as Lada and Polish officials are doing, is therefore a gross exaggeration. Of the Polish inhabitants of Volhynia, 357,000 or 91.5 percent were not physically harmed. Lada said that 142,000 of the Poles (or around half) still lived in Volhynia in 1944 when the Soviet army arrived.

Lada's figure of 33,000 Polish deaths is nearly half the 60,000 claimed by the Polish government. A major problem is that the necessary research to ascertain the correct figure is still lacking, especially in Ukraine where even the UPA is

not officially rehabilitated. Lada's figure of 33,000 should be placed alongside 15,000 Ukrainians who also died at the same time in Volhynia.

Potichnyj, who has long edited UPA documents, concluded that

Rukh and I helped edit two special Pol- ans did not suddenly cease after the "there is no document that I know of ish-language issues of Sucasnist for the Communists left office. This would showing that the Ukrainian underhave been difficult as these stereotypes ground ordered wholesale slaughter." In



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evident in the breakthrough in Polish-Ukrainian relations in the 1990s. Poland is, and hopefully will remain, one of Ukraine's main allies in its drive for Euro-Atlantic integration. The crowning success of this reconciliation could be seen in the pope's visit to Ukraine in June 2001. Dealing with the troubled past should not harm this tremendous progress, which is decades ahead that of the "normalization" of Ukrainian-Russian relations.

PLACING THE VOLHYNIA MASSACRES IN CONTEXT

Polish-Ukrainian reconciliation is well developed at the elite levels only. Polish opinion polls regularly find that the public image of Ukrainians is very low and a recent poll found that only Romanians and Gypsies have more negative stereotypes. A Ukrainian shuttle trader to Poland recently told Reuters

The fruits of this reconciliation are had grown deep roots in Polish society and former Communists, such as President Alexander Kwasniewski, were in power. Only Gazeta Wyborcza, edited by Kuron's Solidarity ally Adam Michnik, is critical of the plans for the 1943 commemoration.

> Sadly therefore, the planned commemoration of the Volhynia massacres takes the entire subject out of context. Ukrainian-Polish relations were poor a long time prior to 1943. Polish repression of Ukrainians and other minorities in the 1930s led to the rise of extreme right-wing groups. According to the Canadian expert on the Ukrainian Insurgent Army (UPA), Professor Emiterus Petro Potichnyj, various attempts by the Organization of Ukrainian Nationalists and UPA to contact the Polish-government-in-exile in London during world War II were rebuffed.

After World War II, the Poles claimed that they were the only nation in Naziareas of Western Ukraine where there was no Polish military activity against Ukrainians, no actions by UPA against Poles were taken.

Another aspect of the commemorations which has been ignored is the forcible expulsion of 500,000 Ukrainians to Poland in 1944-1946. President Kwasniewski (but not his prime minister or lower house of parliament) has only atoned for the 1947 ethnic cleansing of 250,000 Ukrainians at Akcja Wisla, not the far larger expulsions of Ukrainians that occurred earlier. The murder of Ukrainians by Polish units other than the government-in-exile's AK (such as the extreme right NSZ) and the destruction of Ukrainian Orthodox churches in Kholm and Pidlachia has also been ignored.

The involvement of Nazi and Soviet forces in encouraging the Volhynia

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Quotes of the week

"OWING TO THE TIMES, DESTINY AND SITUATION, BELARUS HAS MOST LIKELY ASSUMED THE GREAT ROLE OF SPIRITUAL LEADER OF EASTERN EUROPEAN CIVILIZATION."

Belarus President Aleksandr Lukashenko considers that Belarus is the only post-Soviet country "openly advocating the loyalty to our traditional values." Radio Liberty, April 1.

"WE HAVE COUNTLESS CLEVER PEOPLE WITH RICH LIFE EXPERIENCE WHO HAVE LONG BEEN CONSIDERING THE RELATION BETWEEN AUTHORITIES AND SOCIETY, THE PRESIDENT AND PARLIAMENT. LET'S GIVE THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK, AND LISTEN TO WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY."

President Leonid Kuchma advocates the broad public discussion of his proposed constitutional reforms. Ukrainska Pravda, April 8.

"THE REFORMS ARE NOT NECESSARY TO LEONID KUCHMA. THEY ARE NECESSARY TO THE PEOPLE, TO UKRAINIAN SOCIETY AND, FINALLY, TO THE LEADERS WHO WILL COME AFTER US."

Kuchma, in an expansive mood. Ukrainska Pravda, April 8.

"UKRAINE DOES NOT KNOW HOW TO EARN MONEY AND EVIDENTLY DECIDED TO DRAIN American pockets. I am not SURE THEY WILL BENEFIT FROM THE DEAL."

Russian Duma Speaker Gennady Seleznyov is doubtful about Ukraine's decision to send the decontamination battalion to Kuwait. Interfax, April 4.

"IF IRAQ, AS THE VICTIM OF AGGRESSION, HAD ASKED THEN IT WOULD HAVE BEEN JUSTIFIED TO SEND THE BATTALION. BUT IF IT GOES TO KUWAIT, WHICH IS A U.S. ALLY, THEN WE ARE INDIRECTLY ON THE SIDE OF THE AGGRESSORS."

Communist deputy Borys Oliynyk ignores Iraq's history of chemical weapons use and the fact that Iraq is not threatened by a chemical attack from Kuwait. Ukrainska Pravda, April "BREWING BEER MEANS NOT ONLY TECHNOLOGY. TECHNOLOGY REQUIRES SOME BARRELS, PIPES AND MACHINES. BUT ONE ALSO NEEDS TO PUT ONE'S OWN MENTALITY, HEART AND SOUL INTO IT. YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO REPLACE BELARUSIAN SOULS AND HEARTS WITH GERMAN ONES. LEAVE THEM AS THEY ARE, BECAUSE THEY ARE OUR OWN,

Should power shift to the parliament?

President Leonid Kuchma has proposed constitutional changes that woild shift many presidential powers to the Verkhovna Rada.We asked Kyivans if they support the president's proposal.

INTERVIEWS BY SVITLANA IONOVA PHOTOS BY NATALIA KRAVCHUK

VOX POPULI -



VOLODYMYR CHYMYREVZA 79, PENSIONER. "I [haven't] thought about it. I am always gone on business trips, so I don't really have time to think about such issues?

IHOR PETROV 29, PROGRAM MANAGER.

"I am not interested in political issues. Usually I ask if there is anything in it for me. If it's only a political game, I'll let the politicians play it."



OLEKSY MAYSKY 47, ELECTRICIAN. "I am absolutely indifferent. I am not interested in any political issue. I know that I will survive in any case and my well-being will be

fine."



Mykhaylo Ponomaryov 40, PAINTER. "I've heard about it, but don't support it because I have a difference of opinion with both parliament and the president."



YAROSLAV KOSTYUK **25.** PHOTOGRAPHER. "I haven't heard about it There's a lack of such information in our media. Maybe there was a little bit of coverage, but there hasn't been much public discussion?



YAROSLAVA KALKUN 21, STUDENT. "I think I agree with the changes. I think it is useful to reduce the president's power since too much money has been laundered while he was governing?



VALENTYNA TKACHENKO 44. ENGINEER.

"Yes, I agree with this, and not only me. I've heard about it and read it on the Internet.We have even discussed it at work. So I hope the changes will be for a better life."



NATALIA KOZHEMYAKINA **30**, SALESWOMAN. "I don't support it. I don't want the

president's power reduced in favor of the parliament. I trust the president more than the parliament. Our parliament is not one you can rely on."



19, STUDENT. "Yes, I do. Our president has been solving too many problems on his own. He has already taken too much on himself. I hope [the change] will be good for all of us, especially since the president we have is not the best one."



OLENA VOYNOVA 22. STUDENT.

"I think the changes would be good, though I haven't really heard about them. It's not that I am uninterested in politics, but there is little about it on TV.I always watch the news but you were the first to tell me this."

No evidence that Ukrainian underground ordered slaughter

BELARUSIAN." Lukashenko talks to domestic beer brewers, explaining why they will have to modernize their breweries without foreign investment. Radio

Liberty, April 3.

KUZIO, continued from page 6 conflict is also ignored. The Volhynia city of Rivne was the headquarters of Reichskommissar Erich Koch and therefore included a large concentration of German units. The destruction of Polish settlements and killing of Poles by the Soviets a year later is ignored in this year's commemoration. The words "Gestapo" and "NKVD" were removed from a monument erected in Wroclaw in 1997 while "OUN-UPA" was maintained. The Volhynia conflict was not only purely ethnic [Volhynia is an Orthodox region]. Social problems also played a role. The forcible taking of land by poor Ukrainian peasants drew on a long tradition of Cossack revolts going back hundreds of years. In the inter-war period the Communist Party of Western Ukraine

REACTIONS TO POLISH DEMANDS

The language used in the long list of Polish demands presented by the Polish National Security Bureau (BBN) to the Ukrainian presidential administration in February uses language reminiscent of the Soviet era when Polish and Soviet Communist publications dealt with "Ukrainian nationalist bands." The language is in the form of a diktat by a stronger country, perhaps taking advantage of Kuchma's weakness at home and abroad.

Marek Siwiec, head of the BBN, insists that Ukraine recognize the Volhynia massacres as "genocide." The monument to be erected in July in Warsaw will claim the far-higher figure of 60,000 Poles murdered by "OUN-UPA"

(KPZU) was very active in Volhynia. as "genocide" and part of a planned crimes against humanity, but not Poles "Polish holocaust."

> Although the monument is not meant to be anti-Ukrainian, the result will be to reinforce the images long cultivated in Poland of genocidal anti-Ukrainian Poles. The BBN also wants to take this further by exhuming graves in Ukraine, renovating Polish military graves and researching in archives with a view to launching future prosecutions for "war crimes." No similar steps are to be taken against Polish members of NSZ guilty of massacres of Ukrainians in Kholm and Pidlachia or Polish Communist and Soviet (NKVD units who organized the 1944-1946 expulsions of Ukrainians to Poland and Akcja Wisla's ethnic cleansing. Polish approaches to this question suggest they believe that only Ukrainians are allegedly guilty of

and Soviets as well.

Not surprisingly therefore, the attempt by the Polish side to isolate this event out of context and place total blame on Ukrainian nationalists (OUN and UPA) is rejected out of hand by most shades of Ukrainian political opinion.

The 1943 tragic events in Volhynia should be commemorated. But, the manner in which the Polish authorities are undertaking the commemoration reflects traditional stereotypes of Ukrainians, which will serve to undo the tremendous progress in the reconciliation of both nations since 1945.

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COMMERCIAL EXTRAVAGANZA

High-end retailers expect brisk trade in luxury shopping mall

By VIKTORIA BRAYCHENKO *Post StaffWriter*

G uests arriving in luxury cars; pervasive security; fresh mandarin oranges imported from Spain and a pop star shipped in from Moscow.

Such was the opening of Ukraine's swankiest shopping mall on April 4. The \$50 million mall, Mandarin Plaza, will occupy 12,500 square meters of space in the renovated Bessarabsky Quarter in the center of Kyiv.

During a ceremony marking the opening, Vagif Aliyev, representing Swiss-based Elsburg Real Estate, the property's developer, said that there had initially been criticism of the company's decision to build a relatively small but expensive shopping mall at the site.

"A lot of people asked: "Why didn't you build another TsUM here?"" he said. "Yes, I may have lost two-thirds of the leaseable space, but I couldn't build anything less in the heart of

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The luxurious Mandarin Plaza is the first part of the revamped Bessarabsky Quarter, which is scheduled to open entirely by the end of the year. (*Post photo by Dima Gavrish*)

Offices, retailers to follow Mandarin to Bessarabsky Quarter

By ROMAN OLEARCHYK

Post StaffWriter

ast week's opening of the new upscale Mandarin Plaza shopping center marks the completion of only part of Kyiv's new and improved Bessarabsky quarter.

Most of the new facilities are scheduled to open later this year.

Previously dilapidated and plastered with advertising billboards, the quarter will now consist of revamped turn-ofthe-century buildings on two sides of the block and new contemporary constructions on the other sides, with the space inside becoming an open square. The entire complex is scheduled to be unveiled by the end of this year.

Oleksandr Nosachenko, commercial property consultant at Kyiv's Colliers International real estate and consultancy firm, said the five-floor Dominant business center will open within a month. Colliers acts as consultant and exclusive agent on both the Mandarin Plaza and Dominant projects.

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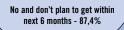
Despite sluggish FDI growth, investors turn unprofitable businesses into winners By PETER BYRNE

Lakma, one of the nation's foremost paint and varnish producers.

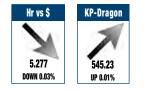
Since 1994, Ineko has invested in food processing, automotive production and transportation services, as well as in the nation's power generation and distribution companies.

"These sectors of the economy are underdevel-





Poll based on 1,000 responses from people aged 15-59 throughout Ukraine. Source GFK-USM.



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Post Staff Writer

Since the mid-1990s, private equity investment and venture capital funds have played an increas-



ingly important role in developing Ukraine's economy. Several equity funds have built impressive portfolios, with some of their acquisitions growing to become market leaders.

Though modest by Central European standards, the funds' total capitalization

in Ukraine is now estimated at between \$500 million and \$800 million, accounting for more than 10 percent of the total foreign investment Ukraine has attracted over more than a decade.

Realizing the potential the country offers to institutional investors and private equity funds, Kyiv-based Ineko Group last year founded a private equity arm, Ineko Capital Partners, to pursue investments in Ukraine and other post-Communist countries. With \$50 million under management, Ineko owns controlling stakes in Kyiv's Slavutych Hotel, Chernihiv oblast's Nizhyn brewery and oped compared to the same industries in other Eastern European countries," said Chris Tampaios, a partner and director of Ineko Capital Partners. "They are bound for consolidation and therefore offer us an opportunity to make money on investments."

Andry Kolodyuk, president and chief executive officer of AVentures, a privately funded venture capital company, seeks investment opportunities in the often overlooked high-tech sector. One of the high-profile Ukrainian firms propelled by AVentures is the Unitrade chain of computer hardware and telecommunications equipment retailers. Other holdings include MegaCom, a systems integration firm and fixed-line phone operator Universal Telecom.

Kolodyuk said that his firm's aim is to turn Ukraine into Eastern Europe's Silicon Valley by providing smart seed money to early-stage hightech companies seeking venture capital.

To that end, AVentures and its U.S.-based partner, PHLburg Technologies, last year established Andry Kolodyuk, president and chief executive officer of AVentures, a privately funded venture capital company, seeks investment opportunities in the high-tech sector. (Post photo by Oleksy Boyko)

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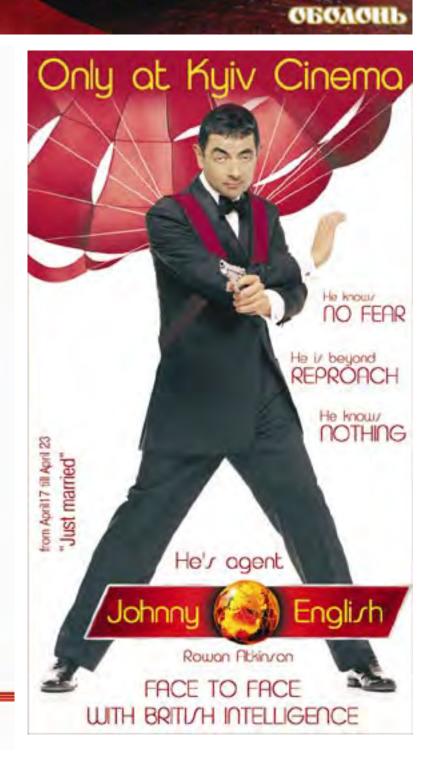
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ECONOMY

Parliament approved a bill authorizing the creation of an **information and** marketing network to boost trade turnover among the countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States by 2005.

A government delegation has left for Washington for talks with the International Monetary Fund and World Bank. A report said the delegation would discuss a standby loan agreement of up to \$800 million with the IMF, and a \$250 million loan from the World Bank.

The State Property Fund transferred Hr 233 million in privatization revenues to state coffers in the first quarter of this year, 66 percent below its target.

Standard & Poor's affirmed Ukraine's long-term B credit rating with a negative outlook due to continued fiscal uncertainties. S&P said sovereign domestic and external debt service due in 2003 would increase to \$2.2 billion.

President Leonid Kuchma said that Ukraine would compete for contracts in key Mongolian sectors, including the coal and gold mining industries.

Representatives of Hong Kongbased finance and investment firms will visit Ukraine this summer to scope out business opportunities, a Ukrainian government official said.

Russia and Ukraine should enter the World Trade Organization on the same terms if the two countries, together with Belarus and Kazakhstan, are to create a common economic space, Russia said.

The World Bank expects to consider debt payments last month.

its draft assistance program for Ukraine for 2003-2007 in July. The bank could provide Ukraine with financial aid totaling \$500 million under programs to modernize the country's tax administration, government data system and agricultural sector.

BANKING AND FINANCE

Banks issued Hr 45.1 billion in loans in March, 7.1 percent more than in February, the NBU said. It also said that private deposits with banks increased 4.4 percent to Hr 21.3 billion in March compared to February, while corporate deposits rose by 18.4 percent to Hr 21.9 billion in the same period

The NBU said that while inflation of 1.1 percent in March was slightly higher than expected, it would not raise its refinancing rate of 7 percent for commercial banks.

Switzerland lifted measures that it imposed on Ukrainian banking transactions following Financial Action Task Force recommendations. Switzerland said it lifted measures because Ukraine made progress in bringing its anti-money laundering legislation in line with FATF standards.

The NBU forecast that the hryvna would devalue by 2.1 percent to Hr 5.45 per U.S. dollar by year-end and by 2.4 percent to Hr 5.58 per dollar by the end of 2004. The NBU previously forecast that the hryvna would devalue by 4.9 percent to Hr 5.6 per dollar in 2003.

The NBU reported gold and hard currency reserves of 4.625 billion in March, a 1.72 percent decrease compared to February. The NBU said the reduction was due to large external



AGRICULTURE

Ukraine, a poultry importer, plans to expand **poultry output** to about 1 million tons of meat in 2009-2010 from 140,000 tons in 2002. Producers said they would cut poultry meat prices to about Hr 600 per ton in 2004 and Hr 500 in 2007 from the current Hr 700.

Parliament lowered the import duty on sugar beet seeds to 20 euros per kilogram from the earlier duty of 70 percent of their market value.

The government allocated Hr 30 million to the agriculture sector to compensate farmers for losses they

incurred when harsh winter weather destroyed nearly half of their winter grain crop.

The Prosecutor General's Office has launched 200 criminal cases since mid-March charging regional agricultural officials with abuse of office. The PGO said that its investigations upturned numerous incidents of officials falsifying statistics at grain-producing firms.

ENERGY

Parliament demanded that the government provide economic reasons for the planned coal sector reorganization. It directed the Energy Ministry

to use all coal-mining revenues within the next three months to pay coal workers Hr 1.2 billion in back wages.

MANUFACTURING

Ukravtoprom forecast an increase in domestically produced and imported cars of 17 percent to 125,414 in 2003 compared to 2002.

OIL & GAS

The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development said that it is willing to take part in implementing the international consortium to manage Ukraine's gas transportation system and the Odessa-Brody-Gdansk pipeline project.



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BUSINESS

Metro cashes in on passenger crowds

Commuters bring growing ad revenue to Kyiv Metropolitan

By VIKTORIA BRAYCHENKO Post StaffWriter

A decade ago, only a handful of black-and-white advertisements adorned the inside of Kyiv's subway cars and stations. That's a huge contrast with the scene today, as three agencies compete to sell advertising space in stations, and both inside and outside the 500-plus cars that make up the city's subway system.

Despite the fact that the three authorized ad agencies, Metros, Art and Dalmener, have succeeded in attracting advertisers to the subway, none were willing to talk about the nature of their business or the revenues derived from it.

During the late 1990s, companies including Coca-Cola, Philip Morris and Kyivstar began placing posters resembling Western-style advertisements in the metro

"After the 1998 financial crisis, when television advertising was too expensive, companies began penetrating the metro en mass," said Lyudmyla Stroyenko, head of the business department at Kyiv Metropolitan, the municipal company that operates the city's subway system.

Today, companies try to reach consumers in every possible way, continuing to place advertisements at subway platforms, both inside and outside the cars and on escalator wall panels.

Wherever people stand, wait or ride, an ad is close at hand.

Judging from the number of passengers using the subway, advertising in the metro is one of the most effective ways of reaching consumers, according to Konstantin Bogomolov, manager of outdoor advertising for Media Direction Ukraine, part of the Provid/BBDO advertising agency.

"The subway is the only method of transportation that has the capacity to transport between 1.5 million and 2.5 million passengers per day," Bogomolov said.

He said that Petrivka metro station, used by an average of 118,000 passengers each day, is most popular with advertisers.

"People waiting for a train during rush hour have nothing to do but read advertisements," he said.

Kyiv Metropolitan's Stroyenko said that the city's income from selling advertisements in all types of transportation increased by 37 percent last year. Advertising placed inside metro cars generated the bulk of the revenue. She declined to provide specific figures.

Maksym Lazebnyk, head of the All-Ukrainian Advertising Coalition, an ad industry association, said the relationship between the city authorities and companies that sell advertisements is unclear. For that reason, they have not vet disclosed financial figures, even though the issue has been a contentious one for the past few years.

Lazebnyk said that spending on outdoor advertising, including ads at metro stations and other types of transportation, increased by 46 percent to \$43 million last year, but it is difficult to estimate what percent of that was specific to transportation.

It costs between \$4,400 and \$5,400 a month to place an A3-sized ad in every subway car. Bogomolov said that between 70 and 80 percent of the available ad space on Kyiv's cars is sold on average. During the busy summer months, close to all available space is sold, and during January, the slowest month, sales decline dramatically.

"In January, 50 percent of metro's advertising space was unsold," he said. Strovenko said that the city receives 72 percent of the revenue generated from ads carried in and on subway cars, and 28 percent of the revenue generated by advertising sold in stations and other metro venues.

In Russia, metro advertising was worth \$15 million nationwide last year, according to estimates by Espar Analitik. a research firm. Dalmener, Metros and Art declined to provide the Post with estimates or figures for Ukraine.

In Moscow, ads are most prominent

LNM Group has holdings in more



Metro officials say that the city's income from selling advertisements on all types of transportation increased by 37 percent last year. Alcohol and tobacco firms are among the largest metro advertisers. (Post photo by Oleksandr Medvedev)

in trains on the city's center line, while ads in Kyiv are more evenly distributed across the city's 570 subway cars, Bogomolov said.

The largest metro advertisers are tobacco and alcohol firms, tourist agencies, banks, mobile operators and the shopkeepers who want a very specific target audience without spending large sums of money to spread their message, Stroyenko said.

"A boutique owner would be unwilling to advertise in the metro because people who shop in such places don't use the subway," she said.

Ad space that is unsold is provided free to government agencies.

Stroyenko said that in addition to extending the number of billboards placed alongside station escalators, Kyiv Metropolitan has its eye on other ideas, including selling advertising on escalator steps and token machines.

"If public response is good during the test period, the companies that have exclusive advertising rights to the city's metro system will establish rates and begin selling space," she said.

Although public transportation has huge potential for advertising initiatives, the industry faces some restrictions. Safety regulations and cost for some new technologies limit the potential for growth, she said.

Stroyenko said that Kyiv Metropolitan experimented by installing video screens that allowed passengers to watch television-style advertising inside the station, but the format proved to be unsuited to the subway environment.

"People passed through too quickly to absorb the messages, so we soon decided to cancel this type of advertising," she said.

Kyiv Metropolitan spokesman

Oleksandr Subbotin said the income the city receives from selling ads compensates for the funds Kyiv Metropolitan loses from free-ride privilege extended to pensioners, war veterans, police officers, tax officials and judges.

Mykola Balatsky, head of Kyiv Metropolitan, said his company loses about Hr 95 million a year as a result of the system of free rides. About 35 percent of the population is entitled to free rides on municipal and local transportation.

Stroyenko said she supports increasing the amount of advertising on the metro because it helps pay for system maintenance and also helps advertisers who recognize the benefits of such high-visibility advertising.

"By reading the metro ads, visitors and commuters can learn about local businesses," she said.

Steel group seeks backing to pump millions in ore plant

LNM group mulls acquisition of ore plant and steel mill

By ROMAN OLEARCHYK Post Staff Writer

makers, LNM Group, is drumming up support among top politicians for opment. According to Deputy Prime Sidex [a Romanian metallurgical its bid to complete a large ore-enrichment plant in Dnipropetrovsk Oblast. If LNM receives the go-ahead for the project, it will become the first multinational producer to enter Ukraine's steel manufacturing industry. Lakshmi Mittal, chairman and founder of LNM Group, received approval from President Leonid Kuchma during a meeting in Kyiv on March 26 to become a key partner in the government's plans to develop Kryvy Rih Ore Enrichment Plant, an unfinished but potentially important raw material supplier to steel mills in Ukraine and abroad. Ore enrichment plants produce essential raw materials used in steel production. After meeting Mittal, Kuchma instructed the government to complete construction of the Kryvy Rih Ore Plant in partnership with LNM Group.

than a dozen steel mills and ranks second in global steel production. The meeting with Kuchma apparently triggered a subsequent meeting between Mittal and Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovych in London on April 3. Yanukovych was in London on a working trip that included meet-One of the world's largest steel ings with officials of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Devel-Minister Vitaly Hayduk, LNM Group

plant, and \$750 million more is still needed to complete it. With annual revenues of \$9 billion, LNM Group certainly has the financial muscle to revive the project.

LNM Group CFO Sudhir Maheshwari told the Post On April 3 that his company intended to use the ore enrichment plant to supply its holdings in Eastern Europe.

"It could be used as a supplier to plant], which our group bought in



Registered in The Netherlands,

has agreed to fund completion of the ore enrichment plant in return for ownership rights.

Viktoria Pkhidenko, an analyst at Prometal, an industry think tank, said that though LNM Group's participation in the ore facility requires parliamentary approval, support from Kuchma definitely strengthens the company's chances of receiving legislative endorsement. Details of LNM's involvement in the project need to be outlined and sanctioned by parliament, she added.

Started in 1983, the Kryvy Rih Ore Plant was developed as part of an inter-governmental agreement between the former Soviet Union, then-Czechoslovakia, Germany and Romania. The collapse of the USSR stalled the project, however.

More than \$1 billion has already been pumped into construction of the

2001 [and possibly to other holdings in the region]," he said.

LNM Group has holdings in Algeria, Canada, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Mexico, Romania, South Africa, Trinidad and the United States.

Maheshwari said that LNM is currently bidding on a Polish steel mill, and the company has not hidden its interest in purchasing a Ukrainian steel mill as well.

"We would be interested if and when an appropriate opportunity arises," Maheshwari said.

Local business groups have snapped up most of Ukraine's steel mills in privatization tenders. Only a handful of mills, including Kryvorizhstal, the largest in the country, are still owned by the government.

President Leonid Kuchma shakes hands with Lakshmi Mittal, chairman and founder of international steel holding LNM Group, during their meeting on March 26. The two discussed plans by LNM Group to invest about \$750 million in the completion of Kryvy Rih Ore Enrichment Plant. (Presidential Administration photo)

steel production worldwide, but no ventured into the country.

LNM Group is a steel empire built by Mittal partly through acquisitions

Ukraine is currently ranked sixth in of aging mills in struggling countries. "If this deal [in Ukraine] works major international metals firms have out, LNM Group would be the first major internationally known steel group to enter the Ukrainian market," Prometal's Pkhidenko said

<u>BUSINESS</u>

Business schools make competitive mark

Ukrainian becomes first outside the U.S. to win competition

By ALLA VETROVCOVA *Post StaffWriter*

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Some of the nation's brightest business students are learning that the best way to build a successful career is to play games.

Just as generals hone their battlefield skills by engaging in simulated skirmishes, business schools are encouraging students to develop their competitive acumen through the use of games that simulate the business environment. Some of the games are Internet-based, allowing students to match wits and nerve against rivals with broadly different cultural and academic experience.

VIRTUAL COMPETITION

This year, Ukrainian Ihor Movenko won one of the longest-running simulation competitions, the International Management Competition organized by Carnegie Mellon University in the United States. Movenko was recognized for acquiring the greatest personal wealth among all the virtual chief executives involved in the most recent game, held between March and October 2002. Movenko was not only the first Ukrainian to win the game in its 45-year history, he was the first representative of a non-U.S. business school. He bested more than 500 competitors from around the world in the Internet-based game, which simulated three years in the life of a business over a six-month period.

The team of business students that Movenko led, from Kyiv's International Management Institute, also did well in the competition, placing second in the overall team competition.

David Lamont, who coordinates the game for Carnegie Mellon, noted that International Management Institute has only participated in the simulation for four years. During that brief period, the institute took first place in the team competition in 2001 and second place in 2002, in addition to Movenko's individual win.

Lamont said that the Kyiv business school's success was remarkable given that schools outside the U.S. have only been ranked in the top 5 percent four

times in the contest's 45-year history. Movenko is the only contestant who was not a Carnegie Mellon student to take top honors.

Lamont said that the simulation was developed for use by U.S. business schools in 1957 and an Internet version appeared in 1991, making it possible for students from other countries to participate.

"[The game operates in] a virtual world, but it felt very real," Movenko said. "We had our own board of directors, advisers and shareholders meetings."

"We had the opportunity to observe different management strategies because our competitors were from different countries," Movenko said.

Movenko completed his MBA degree at International Management Institute while employed as marketing director for Prioritet Advertising in Kyiv. The experience he gained during the competition has him thinking of other challenges, though. "Now I feel ready to start my own business," he said.

Other Ukrainian schools have been involved with simulations, domestically and internationally. A team of students from Lviv Management Institute has also participated in the Carnegie Mellon competition, and International Christian University reportedly attempted to get a local version of the game going a few years ago.

International Management Institute began working with Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania-based Carnegie Mellon eight years ago. In 2000, it received funding from the U.S. State Department to launch a Ukrainian version of the international management competition.

Valentyna Demyanko, the institute's director of innovative teaching technologies, was trained as a game instructor by Carnegie Mellon University.

She said that the competition forms the basis for coursework completed by the institute's graduate students. The game helps students develop the management strategies necessary to compete in the global marketplace.

RECOGNITION

Business school officials are quick to point out that business simulation competitions are not the only way students win international recognition. At the Kyiv Mohyla Business School, graduate students have been awarded fellowships to study at prestigious universities in the



Ihor Movenko, Prioritet marketing director and graduate of Kyiv International Management institute, became the first representative of a non-U.S. business school to win in the International Management Competition conducted by Carnegie Mellon University in the United States. (*Post photo by Andry Porokhnenko*)

United States and Western Europe. Yadwiga Semikolenova was awarded a fellowship to study economics at Carnegie Mellon University this year, and in 2001 Yury Gorodnichenko received a fellowship to attend the University of Michigan in recognition of his "great contribution to the development of Ukraine."

The school's development manager, Svitlana Bocharova, said that Kyiv Mohyla Business School prefers to have students get practical experience rather than conduct simulations. "We have a different level of education. Our students obtain a basic knowledge of economics, and graduate business students obtain practical experience in a company," she said.

PROACTIVE APPROACH

Hungry for advice from managers who have actual experience, business students at Kyiv National University have taken a proactive approach to their education and organized what they hope will be the first in a series of two-day business seminars that will bring students together with working managers. The opportunity to interact directly with executives will provide strategic know-how that will help in leading their own companies, the students said.

"Theoretical study doesn't provide us with the skills necessary to succeed in business," said Heorhy Jasynsky, one of the student organizers of the Leadership and Management in Successful Business conference, which will begin April 3. He said that university studies are heavy on theory.

"There's a lack of practice and no orientation toward real business. We felt that we needed advice from professionals."

Managers from Deloitte & Touche, Leo Burnett, Kyivstar GSM and other companies were invited to participate in the conference, which they hope to hold twice a year.

Jasynsky said that the conferences shed light on the management techniques that have allowed companies to succeed and to analyze market trends.

The Kyiv National University student said that he liked the idea of the strategic management game employed by International Management Institute.

"I think it's a great idea to participate in such a competition. We definitely would like to do that in the future," he said.

FIRST STEPS

Some of the graduate-level business students who will be engaged in international competitions six years from now may be getting a head start on practical management experience today. Junior Achievement Ukraine, an international non-governmental organization, helps high school students explore business careers by teaching entrepreneurship. About 300 secondary schools are engaged in a Junior Achievement program that helps students establish their own companies, according to Olga Belkova, the NGO's deputy director. Students study economics and create their own businesses, developing services, setting up production lines, participating in sales and distribution and learning management techniques.

"The point of the program is to go through all stages of developing a business. It's a career-guidance game," Belkova said.



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COMPANY NEWS

Ad agency turns over staff

Dmytro Bolsunovsky has joined PropagandaOgilvy advertising agency in



Prior to this, he was an art director at Adell Saatchi & Saatchi ing company. She will advertising agency in Kyiv. Bolsunovsky graduated from

the Strategy Institute of Entrepreneurship in Zhovti Vody, Dnipropetrovsk region, as a specialist in computer science.

Viktoria Maslovska has joined PropagandaOgilvy Kyiv advertising



development director. Prior to this, she worked at Pulse, Image/DGK Atlantic

Group and '141' at

Video International.

Maslovska graduated from Kyiv State Foreign Language Teacher's Training Institute.

Lyudmyla Klymenko has been appointed marketing manager at For-Kyiv as an art director. mag-Kiev, regional



tion, Klymenko worked at Formag-Kiev as a customer service operator. Klymenko graduated from the Kyiv National Shevchenko University and Kyiv Institute for Translators and Interpreters.

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Antonio Cuoco, Lufthansa general manager in Ukraine, announced at a news conference on March 31 that the airline will launch a new route from Kyiv to Munich beginning April 14. A new daily service will depart Kyiv at 6:35 a.m. and return to Ukraine at **10:40 p.m.** (Post photo by Andry Porokhnenko)



Eric Franke CEO, Ukrainian Mobile Communications.

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tackle a challenge. First you should analyze it and then start listening to the opinions and ideas of other people. Then decide what to do and do it. We have challenges in this market every day. You have to be ready to change things, sometimes quickly, from one day to another.

Do you see the media as an ally or threat?

Neither of those. The media is one way for us to be heard by our clients and future clients, but we cannot control the media (and we don't want to). There are both positive and negative articles written about every company, including us and our competitors. My belief is that we should give out as much information as possible because we would like the public to be aware of what we're doing, what we're offering to the market, and

JT International increased cigarette production 49.7 percent to 828 million tem. cigarettes in March compared to February. The company produced 1.962 billion cigarettes in the first quarter of this year, 30 percent more compared to the same period in 2002.

Kredvt Bank plans to issue Hr 25 million in book-entry bonds to attract crediting aimed at increasing the bank's loan and investment portfolio.

Naftogaz Ukrainy has purchased two new drilling rigs to extract hydrocarbons at the Korpeje deposit in Western Turkmenistan. The company said that the installation of the rigs, equipped with U.S.-made engines, is nearly complete. Naftogaz plans to send its experts to Turkmenistan and obtain natural gas as payment for its services.

Microsoft Ukraine has launched its first-ever training sessions for information technology experts who want to switch from servicing the Windows

COMPANY BRIEFS Windows Server 2003 operation sys- proposed for the new factory.

Kyiv Mayor Oleksandr Omelchenko told Swiss officials that Kyiv wants to cooperate with the Swiss firm Boschung to modernize the Zhulyany airport. Boschung has previously supplied road construction equipment to the capital and Boryspil International Airport.

The Interregional Finance Company, together with the Bank of New York, has launched a program to issue Ukrtelecom depositary receipts for non-American investors. IFC said that it plans to promote the receipts among Western investors to increase Ukrtelecom's capitalization.

Tobacco giant Philip Morris and Kharkiv Oblast officials have discussed the construction of another tobacco plant near Kharkiv. The company said it plans to invest \$100 million into the new plant, but is Server 2000 operation system to the awaiting a price quote for a land plot

Kyivstar has paid the final Hr 28.6 million on its first corporate bond issue, settling the 18-month paper. Kyivstar issued the bonds, worth Hr 86.95 million. in 2001. The company has issued new bonds worth Hr 59 million in two series worth Hr 29.5 million each.

In a bid to boost exports and introduce its vodka brands on the world market, Nemiroff plans to expand its export business to Mexico following negotiations with that country in February. Nemiroff also plans to strengthen its position on the Russian and Polish markets.

The law firm Konnov & Sozanovsky said that it was holding a free online conference this month covering patent, trademark, copyright and other intellectual property issues as part of its legal support program for business in Ukraine. The firm will respond to all IP-related questions asked via e-mail between April 21 and April 25.



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larger banner format for its advertis- to buy connecting flights with Delta ers on its korrespondent.net and bigmir.net Internet sites, both among the nation's most widely visited news and information Web sites. The company said that it launched the format based on the successful experiences of several Russian companies.

Alfa Bank Ukraine, a subsidiary of Russia's Alfa Bank, plans to open an affiliate in Zaporizhya and another one in Western Ukraine, bringing the number of the bank's affiliates in Ukraine to six. The bank also plans to open a representative office in Luhansk

Inkom said that it took part in the second Electronic Ukraine program, aimed at supporting the nation's business and economic growth through the development of new information and telecommunications technology. The company said that IT experts from CIS countries and Eastern Europe attended the program, held April 1-2.

Ukrainian Hi-Tech Initiative, a coalition of Ukrainian software developers, plans to visit the country's software development centers to learn about the problems domestic software makers face. The Initiative is planning to conduct seminars to discuss foreign competition on the Ukrainian software market and upgrade skills of domestic producers.

Agroexport said that it would build a \$15 million vegetable oil plant in Mykolaiv Oblast. The company said the plant would be a mediumsized producer of sunflower oil, but it would increase the plant's capacity to about 400,000 tons of sunflower seeds per season in two years.

German carmaker Volkswagen plans to launch production of its Passat, Bora, Golf and Polo models at the Eurocar plant in Uzhgorod. Last year Volkswagen said that it would invest \$200 million to complete Eurocar's second assembly line by 2004.

Aerosvit has launched its Kyiv-New York route with flights on Fridays and Sundays. The airline said that it would double the number of weekly flights to four by summer. It said that a contract signed with U.S.'

> INTERDEAN INTERCONEX

Sputnik Media has introduced a Delta Air allows Aerosvit passengers from New York to other major U.S. cities.

> Yuridicheskaya Practika Publishing announced the English-language release of the Ukrainian Companies Act, a fundamental corporations law. The updated English version of the act was edited by PricewaterhouseCoopers and published in the Ukrainian Journal of Business Law, a monthly journal of Yuridicheskaya Practika.

> The Antimonopoly Committee said that the Zaporizhya and Stakhanov ferroalloy plants would not receive its permission to acquire a 25 percent stake in the Nikopol Ferroalloy Plant, since this could create a monopoly on the Ukrainian ferroalloy market.

> Kyivstar has lowered the minimum payment for its mobile phone corporate service from \$250 to \$100 a month and reduced tariffs for domestic calls by 10 percent.

The government has ordered the State Telecommunications Committee to transfer \$84.2 million to the state budget from the sale of a 25 percent stake in Ukrainian Mobile Communications to Russia's Mobile Telesystems. Under an earlier plan, the state was to receive 60 percent of the sale's proceeds, while Ukrtelecom and the Defense Ministry were entitled to 30 percent and 10 percent, respectively.

The National Electricity Regulation Commission has increased the price of electricity for the Zaporizhya Aluminum Plant, the country's sole aluminum smelter, by about 6 percent to \$17.6 per megawatt. Ukraine's government introduced a new electricity pricing scheme for ZAP based on aluminum prices on the London Metal Exchange.

Ukrgazbank has begun providing car loans to its clients. The loans cover 90 percent of the cost of the cars, and carry 14 percent annual interest over a five-year period in euros or U.S. dollars, and 20 percent interest in hryvnas.

Kyivstar expects steady growth over the next two years, with net prof-



its rising to \$88 million in 2003 and

\$119 million in 2004. Kyivstar

reported record annual net profit of

\$63.3 million in 2002 on the back of

stronger sales and an increase of

about 70 percent in subscriber num-

Privatbank is now offering its VIP

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as a less expensive and more efficient

way for businesses to obtain financ-

Nadra Bank plans to increase the

Microsoft Ukraine plans to hold

Ukraine's first Polygon seminars this

year in conjunction with the Setyevi

Tekhnologiyi training center between

April 7 and June 10. The seminars will

present reports on Microsoft Windows

2003 servers and the Ukrainian soft-

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ware market's increased stability.

Ukrnafta, Ukraine's largest oilmining company, has approved plans to increase its crude oil and gas condensate extraction volumes by 23 percent to 3.45 million tons a year by 2007 compared to 2002.

Kyivstar has signed an agreement with AT&T Wireless operator to expand its automatic roaming services in the United States. AT&T Wireless provides mobile communications services in the GSM-1900 standard. Kyivstar has already concluded similar contracts with two other U.S. operators, Nextel and T-Mobile.

Prominvestbank said it loaned the nation's agricultural sector Hr 615.69 million in 2002, 8 percent more than the year before. The bank said that close to 1,700 farming businesses throughout Ukraine benefited from the loans.

Volia Cable will continue offering its Premium TV package until April 30 under special terms. Instead of paying Hr 1,092 for a set-top box receiver and an access card, the company will only charge Hr 540, plus an advance payment of Hr 460 for access to Ukrainian and world channels.

Kyivenergo shareholders approved the company's 2002 financial results, which showed net sales of \$278 million, up 15 percent compared to 2001, but net income of \$600,000, a year-on-year decrease of 42 percent.

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Mykola Skrypnyk, general director of Abplanalp Ukraine, subsidiary of Abplanalp Engineering AG Swiss joint stock company, shows off a high-speed milling center at the exhibition center that the company opened on April 3. The company hopes the center will help it market products by the large foreign machine builders it represents. (Post photo by Oleksy Boyko)

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MARKET INDICATORS

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The overall economic performance so far this year has been better than expected, in particular the budget revenue collection. But the outlook for agriculture, given the weather and the president's latest intentions to clamp down on the grain market, is not so bright. In politics, the "nationwide discussion of constitutional reform" should be watched closely for clues as to whether the president will ultimately decide to go ahead with postponing the presidential elections and extending his term. One important related development is the debate of the government's reform program in parliament, tentatively scheduled for April 17. If the action plan is approved, the government will get one-year immunity from no confidence votes, effectively until the presidential elections if they are held as scheduled.

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Plans emerge for revamped quarter

BESSARABSKY, continued from page 9^B

Nosachenko said that of the 3,500plus-square-meter Dominant center. about 3,000 square meters are categorized as Class-A office space. He said the center, adjacent to Mandarin Plaza and facing the International Office and Hotel Center building (Maculan building), will be equipped with two elevators, central air conditioning-heating and ventilation systems and underground parking for about 70 cars. Dominant will become Kyiv's third Class-A facility, joining Millennium business center and Podil Plaza, he said.

"But Dominant will be the most upscale Class-A business center in Kyiv," he added.

Together, Mandarin Plaza and Dominant business center will account for about half of the streetside space in the newly constructed portion of the quarter.

The remainder will be occupied by Fashion Gallery, a 4,500-square-

meter center, with four floors dedi- German-registered perfume and coscated to retail space and one floor set aside for office use. Kyiv's Citycon realty is the consultant and agent for the Fashion Gallery project.

Citycon's Director Anatoly Lakhno said that when Fashion Gallery officially opens this September, it will consist of retail space similar in quality to that of Mandarin Plaza.

The interior will be very similar to Mandarin Plaza," he said.

Lakhno would neither reveal the investors behind Fashion Gallery, nor would he provide a figure for investment.

"All I can say is that our clients bought this space from the city at about \$1,500 to \$1,700 per square meter," he said.

While several stores in the refurbished original part of the block have already opened their doors, most of the remaining space in the turn-ofthe-century building, or some 12,000 square meters, was acquired by the

metics trading firm Brocard. Brocard's portion of the quarter is scheduled to open around the end of this year.

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Lyudmyla Sevlyuk, director of Brocard Ukraine, was short on detail. She did say that her firm's plan is to fill the space with 'high class' retail outlets.

"There will be high class clothing and accessories stores, including Brocard cosmetics and perfume," she said.

Sevlyuk said her company bought the space from the city during a tender held in 2001 but would not disclose the sale price. She would not elaborate.

Collier's Nosachenko said the new Bessarabsky quarter will be unique, when completed.

"[When fully completed, the new Bessarabsky square] will become the center of gravity for Kyivans and tourists," he said.

Luxury mall opens for business in Kyiv

MANDARIN, continued from page 9B Kyiv, in the heart of Ukraine."

In contemporary style, the mall occupies five stories and two underground levels. Though it is comprised of 60 retail outlets offering a diverse range of merchandise, from souvenirs and jewelry to tableware and cosmetics, the mall's focus is on upscale clothing. Designer clothing retailers such as Christian Lacroix, Valentino, Givenchy and Calvin Klein are all housed here.

By April 15, a French gourmet supermarket chain, Lafayette, will open in the plaza, marking that company's entry into Ukraine. The supermarket will occupy 2,050 square meters of underground retail space. In May, an upscale restaurant and coffee house are also slated to open in the center.

The mall is equipped with eight escalators, central air conditioning and underground parking for 500 cars. Odessa's Beletazh designed the facility and Kyiv-based TMM served as general contractor.

Ändre Houman, president of Elsburg Real Estate, said that his firm has injected \$50 million into Mandarin Plaza. He said that he hoped the mall's central location would give it an edge over competitors that are scheduled to open soon.

Zhanna Alperovych, owner of the Christian Lacroix and Valentino boutiques in Mandarin Plaza, said she hopes for brisk sales, adding that she believes that designer clothing is in high demand in Ukraine.

Alperovych wouldn't cite figures, but said that sales at another store opened in Kyiv earlier are going well. She said customers shouldn't be discouraged by the relatively high

prices.

"We are not afraid that there might be a lack of buyers," she said, "People know exactly that well-known brands are made in Europe and can't be sold at moderate prices."

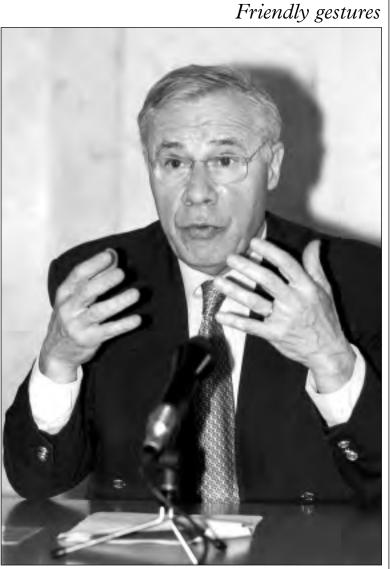
Yelena Rusanova, a consultant with Colliers International, the mall's exclusive leasing agent and a consultant on the project, said some clothing brands that were previously sold in multi-brand stores will now have their own outlets in Mandarin Plaza. Rusanova said her company expects the mall to attract an average of 5,000 visitors a day and up to 2 million shoppers a year. She said some 85 percent of the mall's space has already been leased, and that tenants should occupy the remainder within a month. Some of Mandarin Plaza's tenants said they would offer discount cards to build loyalty among potential customers.

Elsburg Ukraine Director Oleksandr Chernitsky said the company does not expect to make a profit on its investment for from five to seven vears.

While political risks and economic uncertainties are frightening off some potential investors, Aliyev said Kyiv Mayor Oleksandr Omelchenko's "masculine will" has been the driving force behind the project.

He said it took the city just two years to transform an idea into a completed project. Aliyev said he hopes introduction of new brands will bring Kyiv's upscale customers to the mall.

"Why do you need to travel somewhere to buy clothes for yourself and your children?" he asked. "We hope that you won't let our tenants get bored."



Sarmat boosted in fight with Obolon

By VIKTORIA BRAYCHENKO

Post Staff Writer

ruled March 26 that Obolon brewery

paign to buy into Obolon following vinced that such a decision may have the commission's decision.

Obolon reacted angrily to the The State Securities Commission commission's decision, accusing commission officials of distributing does not have the right to require its information that could undermine shareholders to offer their stock to Obolon's position in a legal battle the company before selling it to a with Sarmat. Obolon has lost two

an influence on the judges' decision," Obolon's statement read.

Yury Shapoval, deputy head of the supervisory board of the State Clearinghouse, said that Ukrainian laws, rather than company charters, regulate issues involving property rights. Shapoval said the fight between Obolon and Sarmat should serve as a catalyst to drafting effective legislation that would regulate relations between shareholders in joint stock companies. The current laws have plenty of loopholes, he said. "This conflict will result in an improvement in the legislation regulating the securities market," Shapoval said.

third party. The decision came as a boost to the rival Sarmat brewery, which has sought to acquire shares in Obolon.

The commission ordered Obolon officials to drop a provision from the company charter requiring stockholders to offer their shares to Obolon's supervisory board before trading them to outsiders.

The commission said the company's charter violates Ukrainian law and ordered it to amend the document by June 27.

Obolon adopted the charter provision last year as a strategy to defend against a hostile takeover by Donetsk-based Sarmat. Since April last year, Sarmat has purchased 12 percent of Obolon's shares from the company's employees through a brokerage. Industry insiders believe Sarmat may now step up its cam-

rounds to Sarmat in the Kyiv Eco-

"WE ARE WORRIED ABOUT THE REAL **REASON WHY THE** COMMISSION'S DECISION CAME

NOW."

-Obolon statement.

nomic Court and Kyiv Court of Appeals. The matter is now headed for the Supreme Court. Obolon's officials hinted the commission decision was timed to influence the upcoming court hearing.

reason why the commission's decision came now, and we are con-

Obolon is an attractive player in the nation's beer market. According to Ukrpyvo, a brewing industry trade association, Obolon increased output by 11.2 percent to 38.9 million deciliters last year. The company is the country's second largest brewer after Sun Interbrew.

Sarmat, the country's fourth We are worried about the real largest brewer, upped output by 16.4 percent to 21.8 million deciliters last year.

Philippe Vindry, delegate in charge of international actions and cooperation at the Paris Chamber of Commerce and Industry, gestures during an April 1 news conference focusing on prospects for French investment in Ukraine. A delegation representing 12 French companies met with Ukrainian officials and manufacturers to find out more about investment opportunities. (Post photo by Dima Gavrish)

BUSINESS

Issues cloud U.S. poultry import fracus

Poultry imports frozen as discussions over antibiotics drag on

By SVETLANA SELYUTINA Post StaffWriter

Fearing that Ukraine's road to membership in the World Trade Organization might be blocked by a chicken, the government has ended its 15-month long ban on poultry imported from the United States.

But ending the formal ban doesn't mean that U.S.-grown chicken meat will flood Ukrainian markets anytime soon. While most concerns raised by the nation's veterinary inspectors have been resolved, antibiotics used by the United States' poultry industry continue to impede the sale of American chickens in Ukraine.

While domestic poultry producers worry that lifting the ban would mean the return of stiff competition from U.S. imports, government officials are concerned that the U.S. could use the issue to refuse to support Ukraine in its WTO membership bid.

AGREEMENT REACHED

During meetings in Washington in late March, representatives of the two governments signed a temporary certificate permitting the import of U.S. poultry, ending the ban.

'The signing of the U.S.-Ukraine veterinary protocol effectively ends the ban on U.S. poultry exports to Ukraine, implemented January 1, 2002," read a statement released by the U.S. Embassy's agricultural attache.

Petro Verbitsky, head of the Agriculture Ministry's State Veterinary Medicine department, said that the agreement signals significant progress on the chicken issue.

Economy Minister Valery Khoroshkovsky called the "poultry problem" one of the main barriers between reaching a U.S.-Ukraine bilateral agreement on Ukraine's WTO membership.

Despite last month's agreement lifting the specific import ban, Ukraine continues to restrict the importation of poultry that has been treated with antibiotics. Since U.S. farmers routinely add antibiotics to feed, the blockade effectively remains in place.

"The new poultry meat import certificate entirely meets the position of the Ukrainian side with relation to the use of conserving agents, colorants, aromatic substances, ionizing or ultraviolet radiation, and synthetic and hormonal substances in the process of breeding and slaughtering poultry," Verbitsky said.

'We had many concerns about U.S. chicken before, but now only one remains unsettled. This concerns the use of antibiotics to stimulate growth and productivity," he said.

BATTLE OVER ANTIBIOTICS

Whether U.S. poultry is permitted in Ukraine or not may depend on the reason why growers give antibiotic feed supplements to animals. While adding antibiotics to "stimulate growth and productivity" is forbidden, adding the drugs to ensure health may not be.

The revised poultry certificate states that "[m]eat was derived from birds that were not treated with antibiotics for the purpose of accelerating growth and increasing productivity, as attested to by a USDA accredited veterinarian."

In the agreement, the U.S. and Ukraine also agreed to address differences on the safe use of antibiotics by conducting joint scientific research on antibiotic residue in meat. The agreement also revised disease declarations and storage and handling requirements, and mandated new tamper-resistant packaging and labeling.

The U.S. government said that Ukraine's legislative limitations regarding the use of antibiotics had not been substantiated and did not take into account the risks of individual treatment.

WAITING FOR THE RADA

U.S. officials cited scientific research to back the claim that chickens that are given antibiotics properly do not pose a health threat to humans. Ukrainian veterinary specialists cited conflicting data gathered by American and European scientists.

'We cannot change the law administratively," Verbitsky said. "We asked U.S. officials to provide us with evidence that it is safe to give chickens growth-accelerating antibiotics. As soon as we receive this information, it will be considered by parliament."

"If parliament changes the law, the temporary certificate will be changed accordingly," he said.

Meanwhile, "the prohibition still exists," said Agriculture Ministry press secretary Natalya Chereshynska. "The Ukrainian side has defended its position."

"We met with representatives of U.S. poultry producers," Verbitsky said.

"They're concerned that there haven't been exports to Ukraine for more than a year. They want to resume trade.'

The U.S. government sees Ukraine's poultry market expanding, and wants its producers to be allowed access to it. "Given Ukrainians' low level of pro-

tein consumption relative to that of Western Europeans, as disposable incomes rise in Ukraine, we can expect total poultry meat consumption to increase considerably. Animal protein consumption within Ukraine remains 50 percent below Soviet-era animal protein consumption," the statement by the U.S. Embassy's agricultural attache read.

DOMESTIC SALES UNAFFECTED

If the country begins importing large quantities of U.S. poultry in the near future, Verbisky believes that the domestic market will not be significantly affected.

"The ban on U.S. poultry didn't lead to a decrease of imports from abroad. Imports remained at the same level, the only difference being that suppliers from Europe and Brazil replaced the U.S.," he said.

Domestic producers say that they doubt that progress in bilateral talks will increase chicken imports.

"Ukraine never prohibited importation of [organic] poultry from the U.S.," said Mironivsky Hliboproduct Chairman Yury Kosyuk. "But there are only a few farmers in the U.S. who do not use antibiotics. Their production is very expensive and can't compete on our market.'

"Signing the temporary certificate will not change anything," he said.

Kosyuk said that he doubted whether parliament would vote to change the law, clearing the path for renewed poultry trade.

"Our veterinary legislation is harmonized with European laws that also prohibit the use of most medications," he said. "If Ukraine permits the use of antibiotics, it will take a step back."

"In addition, Ukraine will be deprived the chance to supply Europe with meat later on," Kosyuk said. "I don't see any motivation that could convince parliament to change the law."

POULTRY POLITICS

Ukraine banned U.S. chicken imports after amendments to the law on veterinary medicine were adopted by parliament in November 2001. The law prohibited the use of biological stimulants, antibiotics and hormones used to accelerate the growth and productivity of animals.



Petro Verbitsky, head of the Agriculture Ministry's State Veterinary Medicine department, said the protocol lifting the ban on U.S. chicken exports to Ukraine signals significant progress on the chicken issue. (Post photo by Andry Porokhnenko)

farmers from giving antibiotics to their chickens," Verbitsky said. "We considered this unsafe for consumers' health and reason enough to implement the ban.'

Ukraine's ban was unilateral. Under international trade law, one side must warn the other of the introduction of a ban in advance. When the U.S. government protested, Ukraine continued to allow the importation of U.S. poultry ordered before the ban until February 15, 2001. After the official ban was implemented on January 1, 2002, imports stopped completely.

U.S. IMPORTS DECLINE

declined dramatically. In 2001, rise to 200,000 tons in 2003.

"American laws do not forbid poultry Ukraine imported 69,000 tons of poultry, 90 percent of which was produced in the U.S. In 2002 Ukraine imported 73,000 tons of poultry, but the U.S.-grown share had dropped to 10,000 tons.

The U.S. annually exports more than 1 million tons of poultry to Russia. Before trade problems with Russia arose last year, the U.S. poultry industry was selling poultry valued at \$640 million, or about 1.1 million tons, to Russia a year. According to the USDA, sales from Oct. 2002 to Jan. 2003 were down 62 percent from the same period a year before.

In 2002, Ukraine produced 136,000 tons of poultry, a 170 percent increase over 2001. The Agriculture Ministry During 2002, poultry imports predicts that poultry production will

Poor wheat crop may stifle exports

Ukraine's 2003 wheat harvest is seen four million hectares of wheat in 2003 wheat each month between March and

(Reuters) A poor outlook for officials say farms will harvest about import about 20,000 tons of milling

Rada appoints Chechetov new privatization chief

curbing the country's recently won status as a major exporter next season and could even turn it into a milling wheat importer, analysts said on April 4.

Analysts say Ukraine's 2003 milling wheat crop will be halved to between five and six million tons from imports, so they will have to limit around 10-11 million previously, while the overall wheat crop could tumble to 10-14 million tons from 20.5 million.

The shrinking forecast could force the government to ban milling wheat exports, or cause significant imports next season (July-June), with 6.5 to 7.0 million tons of milling wheat needed to feed the 48-million-strong population.

Milling wheat previously made up some 40 percent of Ukraine's wheat exports.

Bad weather has killed nearly half

compared with seven million hectares last year.

"It looks like the government has only two options – to ban (milling wheat) exports or to prepare for massive imports," one trader said.

"They are unlikely to allow massive exports."

Traders said the government may also set an export quota for milling wheat next season. Since its independence in 1991, Ukraine has never set wheat export quotas.

In the 2002/03 season, Ukraine has exported about 10.5 million tons of grain including about seven million tons of wheat. The exported wheat volume included up to three million tons of milling wheat. Ukraine exported 9.1 million tons of grain in 2001/02.

Agriculture Minister Serhiy Ryzhuk said last week that the domestic grain of Ukraine's winter grain crops, and shortage would force bread makers to

June, adding the grain could come from Russia and Kazakhstan.

But some traders and analysts see higher imports, saying Ukraine's milling wheat imports could total 150,000-200,000 tons over the same period.

"I see a deficit of several hundred thousands tons," one trader said.

Analysts and traders say Ukraine still has grain in stocks, but some owners are waiting for prices to jump, in view of lower 2003 harvest fore-

casts

"Ukraine has no shortage of grain -Ukraine has a shortage of offers," said Mykola Vernytsky from ProAgro agriculture consultancy.

As of March 31, Ukrainian milling wheat prices have risen to \$130 per ton ex-farm from about \$110 in February and \$92 in January. Analysts say the upward trend will continue in the near future.

Mykhailo Chechetov to head the privatization authority State Property Fund on April 4, in a move aimed at speeding up the pace of sell-offs in the country.

Chechetov, deputy head of the fund since 1999, will replace Oleksandr Bondar, who tendered his resignation in March amid criticisms that privatization revenues last year fell short of the government target.

In 2002 Ukraine managed to raise only Hr 600 million (\$112 million) from sell-offs, compared with a planned \$1 billion. This year Ukraine plans to receive some Hr 2.1 billion from privatization.

Chechetov, 49, was backed by a slim majority of 260 deputies in the 450-seat chamber

He told Reuters that Ukraine was ready for a fresh start in privatization. "The future for privatization is bright

(Reuters) Parliament appointed this year," he said. "Decisions to speed up a number of privatization projects have been made at the most senior levels. Projects are being launched and we feel supported by parliament."

> Chechetov said the government was preparing tenders for its stakes in several leading steel mills and machine building plants but gave no other details.

> Privatization is crucial for Ukraine to replenish state coffers so it can pay back foreign debt. Ukraine also needs money to modernize its obsolete Soviet-era industries and to persuade foreign lenders to restart their aid programs.

Kyiv has so far failed to achieve any notable success in privatizing its major assets due to political bickering and concerns among left-wing parliamentarians that it may be selling state property on the cheap.

By investing, funds hope to profit on exit

VENTURE, continued from page 9^B the U.S.-Ukraine Center for Technology Commercialization to realize the potential of the ventures by matching their projects with an "order" from a large Western company.

The gap in early-stage funding has created a window of opportunity for potentially superior returns that exist for small funds to seek out early-stage ventures," Kolodyuk said.

Equity and venture capital funds are different from other investments in that they acquire stakes in companies at a relatively early stage. After acquiring the

share, the funds work with owners and management to grow the business to the point when it can be sold to another investor or listed on a stock exchange through an initial public offering. When the firm is sold or listed, the initial investors sell their stakes at a profit.

With \$150 million under management, Western NIS Enterprise Fund is the largest private equity investment fund operating in Ukraine. In 1996, the U.S. Congress lent capital to the fund to explore investment opportunities in Ukraine, Moldova and Belarus. While the Kyiv-based fund has found such opportunities scarce in Belarus, it has pumped nearly \$70 million into 24 small- and medium-sized companies in Ukraine and Moldova.

We don't just invest in companies but also work with their managers to raise their value," said Oksana Markarova, WNISEF's external and and equity funds tend to concentrate

registered in advance of its first investment into the company in 1999. As a precondition to receiving an \$8.7 million equity investment, AVK was reorganized from a loosely coordinated group of five separately managed confectionery plants into a parent holding company with three manufacturing subsidiaries. The resulting consolidation of purchasing, finance and marketing activities

enabled AVK to achieve substantial cost savings and to focus on building its brands and developing effective distribution channels. AVK's boxed chocolates

became the nation's most popular in 2002, with the company posting a 32 percent increase in sales. The company found its customer base despite competition from international giants including Nestle and Kraft Jacobs Suchard, the investors behind the Korona and Svitoch brands, as well as from Ukrprominvest, a large Ukrainian holding company. The fund's other holdings include Troyanda-Express, an ice-

and the sunflower oil bottler Sonola. Markarova said that in January the fund made its first exit, selling its 85 percent stake in Vitanta-Intravest, a Moldovan beer and soft drink producer. With that sale, the fund more than doubled its initial \$4.7 million investment.

cream manufacturer and distributor

Equity investors generally look to fast-growing industries for potential investment ideas. A number of such industries have emerged in Ukraine,

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> - Chris Tampaios, Ineko Capital Partners.

corporate relations manager. "Most their investment into these sectors, of the companies in our portfolio have become market leaders."

One such company is Donetskbased AVK confectionery.

said Tomash Fiala, managing director of Dragon Capital, an investment brokerage house. "Food processing and beverages

WNISEF's impact on AVK was are very promising sectors," Fiala



Oksana Markarova, external and corporate relations manager for the Western NIS Enterprise Fund, stands in front of a display of products manufactured by her fund's portfolio firms. (Post photo by Condi Scherrer)

include construction materials and the mobile phone retail market."

Portfolio investors' work with a company may often result in arrival of a strategic investor. In 2001, several portfolio investors sold a controlling stake in Kharkiv-based Rohan brewery to Sun Interbrew, the regional arm of one of the world's largest brewers. The Belgian-Indian joint venture has since then invested millions of dollars to upgrade the factory and promote its products.

Despite growing opportunities, private equity investment in Ukraine remains relatively low compared with that found in other Eastern European countries.

Yelena Stephanska, a financial expert with the U.S. government's Foreign Commercial Service, said private equity investment in the

said. "Other attractive industries country is still in its infancy. Other analysts blame the country's lack of effective legislation, undeveloped financial sector and relatively low foreign direct investment for clogging the inflow of portfolio investors.

Those reasons may be falling by the wayside. Fund managers say that lawmakers have started to take steps to encourage investors to take a closer look at some of the country's industries. In January, parliament passed a law granting substantial tax breaks and other incentives to those entering the high-tech sector.

AVentures' Kholodyuk said that new legislation would facilitate the emergence of technology-based companies and their development into profitable innovation businesses, making them more attractive to venture capitalists.

Fund managers also said that the

reluctance of many multinational firms to enter Ukrainian markets has made it harder for them to sell their holdings. An opaque financial sector and moribund stock market also complicate the work as they deprive the funds of the means of selling the stakes they have acquired, fund managers said.

"It is not realistic to talk about floating initial public offerings as an exit strategy because Ukraine's stock market is so illiquid," Tampaois said. Kolodyuk added that the firms included in investment funds' portfolios are generally too small to benefit from issuing stock abroad.

Tampaois said that Ineko is banking on local equity investment and Russian buyers to provide the liquidity needed to buoy the sector as the presidential elections scheduled for October 2004 approach.

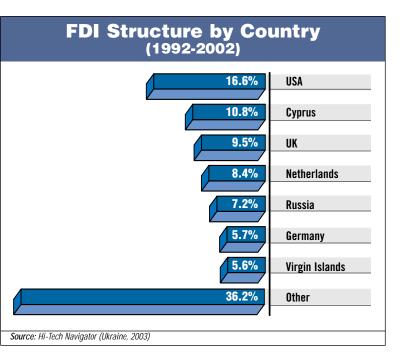




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AVentures	16/15 Vyborzka info@aventures.biz www.aventures.biz	461-8882 fax 461-8883	Andry Kolodyuk	Telecommunications, media and technology	Unitrade, MegaCom, Universal Telecom, SoftPress, US-Ukraine Center for Technology Commercialization, Ukrsoft Consortium Business Center, First Ukrainian Technology Business Incubator	not available				
Commercial Capital	Kyiv, 12/5 Lypska, Apt. 1 cceukr@sovamua.com www.comcap.gr	490-5667 490-5668	Xenofon Voudouroglou Yury Mashintsev Kostas D. Kollias	Food and beverages, building materials, consumer and light industrial goods, services and technology	EuroMart, Mr.Snack, The Ukraine Fund	EUR 194.48 million (inside and outside Ukraine)				
Baring Vostok Capital Partners	6A Velyka Zhytomyrska, Apt. 3 assistant@baring.com.ua www.bvcp.ru www.bpep.com	490-5535 490-5512	Andry Terekhov	Telecoms, services, FMCG, energy and high tech	Dneprospetzstal	not available				
Ineko Capital Partners	62A Chervonoarmiyska info@inekocapital.com http://www.inekocapital.com	201-6417	Denis V. Kopylov Chris S. Kamtsios	Food & Beverages, construction materials, distribution of FMCG, transportation, light manufacturing, energy, agriculture and financial services	Lakma, Nezhyn Brewery, Auto Transportation Company 13002, Lviv Experimental Oil & Lubricant Plant, Hotel Slavutych	approx. \$25 million				
SigmaBleyzer	21 Pushkinska, #40 office@sigma.kiev.ua www.sigmableyzer.com	244-9487 fax 244-9488	Michael Bleyzer	Security trading, investment banking activities, asset management, e-business, mergers & acquisitions, registrar, valuation, legal, auditing, commercial, investment consulting services	Poltava Confectionery, Volia Cable, Zaporizhhya Meat processing, Melitopol Tractor HydroUnits, etc.	over \$100 million				
State Innovation Company of Ukraine	65B Khmelnytskoho office@sicu.com.ua	216-2455 246-8776	Volodymyr Ryzhov	All kinds	Antonov Aviation Scientific and Technical Complex, Kyiv State Aircraft Factory AVIANT, Motor Sich, Concern Stirol, Volynholding (Torchyn Product), Lutsk Foods (Torchyn Product), others (more than 600 innovation projects	over \$100 million				
Western NIS Enterprise Fund	4 Muzeyny Provulok, 3rd floor info@wnisefk.com	490-5580 fax 490-5589 www.wnisef.org	Natalie A. Jaresko	Food processing, financial services, construction materials,	AVK, Slobozhanska Budivelna Keramika (SBK), Microfinance bank, Troyanda and others packaging and light industry	cumulative portfolio - \$80 million, outstanding portfolio - \$58 million.				

Source: Kyiv Post staff. This chart offers only a representative sample and is not intended to be a complete survey.

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Poland	6,365	7,270	9,341	5,713	5,200	6,800
Slovakia	562	354	2,052	1,475	4,000	1,700
Bulgaria	537	806	1,002	692	620	1,020
Romania	2,031	1,041	1,025	1,157	1,250	1,600
Lithuania	926	487	379	445	650	600
Russia	2,761	3,310	2,714	2,469	3,000	5,000
Ukraine	743	496	595	792	859	1,200
Georgia	265	82	131	100	100	120
Kazakhstan	1,151	1,587	1,283	2,763	2,000	2,200



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EUROPEAN SOCCER ROUND-UP

Juventus tops in Serie A, Turin

(UEFA.com) - Although title matters remain tense in England and France, Juventus and Real Madrid took important steps towards winning their respective championships over the weekend.

ITALY

Having beaten ailing city rivals Torino 4-0 earlier this season, Juventus completed the Turin double by winning a tempestuous derby 2-0 on Apr. 5. After Gianluca Comotto netted a first-half strike to give Juve the lead, home defender Igor Tudor and Torino's Cristiano Lucarelli were sent off. Two more followed after the interval before Mauro Camoranesi clinched it for Juventus.

Other results also went the way of Juventus to leave them with a five-point advantage atop the Serie A. On Apr. 5, AC Milan, in third, fell further away from contention as they lost 1-0 at Parma, while second-placed Internazionale relinquished a 3-1 lead against AS Roma, who struck twice in the last eight minutes for a 3-3 draw. Fourth in the standings, Lazio beat Como 3-0 on Apr. 6.

SPAIN

Real Madrid, soon to face Manchester United in the Champions League, delighted in a dramatic 3-1 home win against lowly Rayo Vallecano. Rayo led with only five minutes left, but Fernando Morientes, on for Ronaldo, equalized with his first touch and scored again just after fellow substitute Javier Portillo had put Madrid ahead.

Valencia, the reigning champions, lost 2-0 to Real Betis to virtually end their title hopes, but the vital result for Madrid came on Apr. 6 as Real Sociedad conceded second place to Deportivo following a 2-1 defeat at the Riazor, where Fran Gonzalez struck the winning goal in the 82nd minute. Both sides are now six points ahead of Madrid.

ENGLAND

In the Premiership, though, the top two are now separated only by goal difference. Manchester United warmed up again changed hands as the champions,



Parma's Giuseppe Cardone tackles Milan's Andriy Shevchenko during their Italian Serie A soccer match in Parma, Apr. 5. Upsurgent Parma won 1-0 to move to fifth in the standings, virtually eliminating Milan from the title chase in the process. (AP

for their match with Madrid in style, beating Liverpool 4-0. Ruud van Nistelrooij, with two penalties, Ryan Giggs and Ole Gunnar Solskjaer scored for United, while Liverpool's Sami Hyppia saw red in the fourth minute. Leaders Arsenal could only draw 1-1 with Aston Villa. Newcastle United are now six points behind after losing 2-1 to Everton, who climb to fifth.

First place in France's first division

FRANCE

1 to move two points clear. Previous leaders AS Monaco lost 1-0 to Nice, while Marseille were defeated 2-0 at home by Guingamp. Bordeaux won 4-3 behind Lyon in fourth.

GERMANY

Bayern Munich saw their advantage cut to 14 points following a 2-2 draw against Hannover 96. Stuttgart took second place with an exciting 3-2 win at Energie Cottbus after Borussia Dort-

Olympique Lyonnais, beat Le Havre 2- mund fell to a 2-1 defeat by Werder Bremen despite taking the lead.

NETHERLANDS

AFC Ajax, who take on Milan in the at Rennes, and are only three points Champions League on Apr. 9, still have a chance of retaining the Dutch title after beating Roosendaal 4-1. They are now within eight points of PSV Eindhoven, held 1-1 by Willem II. Feyenoord are a point further behind following an incredible 4-3 win at De Graafschap - a victory achieved despite having two players sent off.

Swiss oust French in Davis Cup quarterfinals

NEW YORK (AP) - Roger Federer Bastl lost the final match to Nicolas crushed substitute Fabrice Santoro 6-1, 6-0, 6-2 in reverse singles action on Apr. 6 to earn Switzerland a spot in the semifinals of the Davis Cup while eliminating France.

The Swiss, playing in the last four for just the second time, will travel to Australia for the Sept. 19-21 semifinals while Spain hosts Argentina.

In the other three ties, Argentina, Spain and Australia completed sweeps. Philippoussis downed Magnus Norman Argentina routed defending champion 7-5, 5-7, 6-3 as Australia rolled into the Russia 5-0 while Spain did the same to semifinals again.

Escude 7-6 (5), 5-7, 7-6 (3).

France won the Davis Cup in 2001, but lost to Russia in the final last year. Despite the loss, France has an impressive record in Davis Cup against Switzerland, posting nine wins against two losses.

In Malmoe, Sweden, Wayne Arthurs of Australia topped Joachim Johansson of Sweden 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (4), and Mark



SPORTS BRIEFS

TYSON, LEWIS LIKELY TO FIGHT ON SAME CARD - BUT NOT EACH OTHER

LAS VEGAS (AP) – Mike Tyson and Lennox Lewis may fight in the same ring June 21 - just not against each other.

Talks are under way for the two heavyweights to appear in separate fights of a heavyweight doubleheader, perhaps in Buffalo, New York.

Possible opponents for Lewis include No. 1-ranked Vitali Klitschko, Kirk Johnson or Buffalo's Joe Mesi. Tyson's fight would be against someone along the lines of his last opponent, perhaps a fading Oleg Maskaev.

If Mesi is on the card - whether against Lewis, Tyson or someone else the fight would be big in Buffalo, where the undefeated local heavyweight is a huge attraction.

Klitschko's lawyers have secured an agreement from the WBC saying Lewis has to fight him by the end of October or give up his belt, but the Lewis camp has been unhappy with the size of the purse that Klitschko is demanding to challenge the champion.

WILLIAMS SETTLED WRONGFUL DEATH **SUIT FOR \$2.75 MILLION**

NEWARK, New Jersey (AP) – Jayson Williams agreed to pay \$2.75 million to settle a wrongful-death lawsuit filed by the family of a limousine driver shot to death at the former NBA star's mansion, The Star-Ledger of Newark reported Apr. 4.

The settlement was reached in January in state Superior Court in Hackensack, but Williams' attorneys had not disclosed terms at the time.

The 35-year-old Williams is accused of recklessly handling the shotgun that killed Costas "Gus" Christofi and trying to make the shooting look selfinflicted. The shooting occurred Feb. 14, 2002

The civil settlement does not affect Williams' criminal trial. He could face nearly 55 years in prison if convicted on all charges, the most serious being aggravated manslaughter.

The trial could begin on Sept. 15.

Williams was among the NBA's best rebounders when leg injuries led to his retirement from the New Jersey Nets in 2000. After the shooting, he was suspended from his job as an NBA analyst for broadcaster NBC.

OXFORD EDGES CAMBRIDGE IN THE BOAT RACE

LONDON (AP) – Oxford won Boat Race on the Thames Apr. 6, defeating Cambridge in a near-photo finish despite rowing with a weight disadvantage of 15 (7 kilos) pounds per man.

Oxford's winning difference was about one foot (30 centimeters) over the 4 1/4-mile (6.8-kilometer) course from Putney Bridge to Chiswich Bridge. It was the narrowest win in the race's history.

It was Oxford's second victory in a row in a series that dates from 1829. Cambridge still leads the series with 77 wins to 71 for Oxford. One race finished in a draw.

Croatia, and Australia trounced Sweden.

In Toulouse, France, it was the first time Switzerland had beaten France in 11 years, and avenged Switzerland's quarterfinal loss to the French two years ago.

"It's special to beat France after the last time," Federer told France 3 television.

Federer made light work of Santoro, punishing him with deadly groundstrokes and well-timed passing shots.

"Switzerland is not a weaker side than us, so we shouldn't be too disheartened," France captain Guy Forget said. "With Federer on its side, Switzerland can be a match for most teams."

Santoro was picked as a late replacement for Sebastien Grosjean, who was sidelined with a thigh injury.

"I don't know if Grosjean could have beaten Federer the way he played today," Forget said.

Switzerland won 3-2 after George

Australia, which last won the title in 1999 but lost in the final in 2000 and '01, improved to 7-2 against Sweden.

In Valencia, Spain, French Open champion Albert Costa defeated Ivan Ljubicic of Croatia 6-3, 6-4 and Alex Corretja downed Mario Ancic 7-5, 6-3 to give Spain the sweep.

Spain has yet to lose a match in this year's Davis Cup. They beat Belgium 5-0 in the first round in Seville in February.

Croatia beat the United States, the competition's most successful nation with 31 titles, in the first round in Zagreb.

In Buenos Aires, Argentina, Mariano Zabaleta defeated Russia's Mikhail Youzhny 6-1, 6-4 Gaston Gaudio downed Nikolay Davydenko 7-6 (4), 6-

"Argentina has so many good players that they could form three Davis Cup teams," Youzhny said.

Lovro Zovko of Croatia, top left, plays a shot watched by teammate Ivan Ljubicic on their way to losing against Spain's Albert Costa and Alex Corretja by 6-2, 6-3 and 6-4 in a Davis Cup doubles tennis match in Valencia, Spain Apr. 5. Spain ended up blanking the Croatians 5-0. (AP)

SOSA HITS 500TH HOMER

CINCINNATI (AP) - Sammy Sosa became the 18th player to hit 500 career homers, connecting for a solo shot Apr. 4 in the Cincinnati Reds' new ballpark.

After getting hit by a pitch, striking out and flying out, Sosa lined a 1-2 pitch from reliever Scott Sullivan into the seats in right field, touching off a standing ovation as he rounded the bases.

He raised his arms in celebration and gave his trademark home run hop as soon as the ball left the bat and headed for history. He then dropped his head, circled the bases and raised both index fingers as he touched home.

⁻ The Associated Press

SPORTS



Anna Bessonova from Ukraine performs with the clubs during the European Championships in Rhythmic Gymnastics in Riesa, eastern Germany, on Apr. 6. Bessonova won the title. (AP)

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UEFA CUP

Semifinals Thursday, Apr. 10 Glasgow Celtic (Scotland) vs. Boavista (Portugal) Lazio (Italy) vs. FC Porto (Portugal)

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Final

Wednesday, May 21 At Seville, Spain Semifinal winners

FORMULA ONE

Results Apr. 6 from the Brazilian Grand Prix at Sao Paulo

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DAVIS CUP TENNIS

WORLD GROUP

Quarterfinals (limited results) (At Toulouse, France) SWITZERLAND 3, FRANCE 2 Singles Sebastien Grosjean, France, def. George Bastl, Switzerland, 6-3, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3. Roger Federer, Switzerland, def. Nicolas Escude, France, 6-4.7-5.6-2. **Reverse Singles** Roger Federer, Switzerland, def. Fabrice Santoro, 6-1, 6-0, 6-2. Nicolas Escude, France, def. George Bastl, Switzerland, 7-6 (5), 5-7, 7-6 (3). (At Buenos Aires, Argentina)

ARGENTINA 5, RUSSIA 0 Singles David Nalhandian Argentina def Nikolay Davydenko

Syracuse downs Kansas 81-78 to take NCAAs

Carmelo Anthony and Gerry McNamara did the scoring and Hakim Warrick came up with a huge block in the final seconds Apr. 7 to lift the Syracuse University Orangemen to a thrilling 81-78 championship victory over the University of Kansas.

"We played the best first half we could play, and then we just hung on," said Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim, in his 27th year at his alma mater.

Warrick, who missed two free throws that would have sealed the game with 13.5 seconds remaining, made up for it by coming from nowhere to swat a 3point attempt by Michael Lee that would have tied it.

"I definitely wanted to go out there and make a play after missing those free throws," Warrick said. "I saw a guy open in the corner and I knew they needed to hit a 3, so I just tried to fly at him."

Kirk Hinrich, cold all night, shot an airball at the buzzer and the Orangemen (30-5) ran to the floor to celebrate their first-ever title. Boeheim threw his arms in the air and ran to shake hands with Kansas boss Roy Williams, deprived once again of the championship.

Fighting off a bad back to finish with 20 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists, Anthony showed he is certainly ready for the NBA if he chooses. McNamara hit six 3-pointers in the first half to finish with 18 points.

"All my hard work just paid off tonight," Anthony said. "I paid a physical toll the whole night, the whole tour- first half of a title game.

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Kryvbas 1, Obolon 0

Vorskla 3, Karpaty 0

Arsenal 1, Metalist 0

Apr. 7

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - Freshmen nament. The whole season, everybody's been beating me up. Coach told me to tough it up.'

> In a marquee coaching match-up between Boeheim and Williams, a pair of brilliant tacticians who had never won it all, it was Boeheim who finally broke through.

> Sixteen years ago, Syracuse lost by one to Indiana on Keith Smart's gamewinner with four seconds left on the same Superdome floor. Boeheim said he wanted to get the last four seconds right this time, and he did, just barely.

> "I didn't want it to be another one of those Keith Smart shots," Warrick said, referring to his game-saving block.

> Boeheim added, "I think this building kind of owed us one."

> In the first half, it didn't look as if he'd have to sweat it.

The Orangemen built their lead to 18 during a breakneck first half. But things ground to a halt in the second, and it was Boeheim's famous 2-3 zone that closed out the game.

Of course, there are some things you simply can't coach, and McNamara, Anthony, Warrick - the whole team, really - played a one-on-one style of offense in the first half that looked as if it came straight from the playground.

McNamara was relentless, unabashedly hoisting shots from outside the 3-point arc, and making almost all of them. By the end of the first half, he was 6-for-8 - his season high - and the Orangemen led 53-42. The 53 were the most points scored by one team in the

2002-2003 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS LEAGUE DRAW LIST

CHAMPIONS CUP	<i>(home teams listed first):</i> Barcelona vs. Juventus	Second leg
Quarterfinals First leg Tuesday, Apr. 8	<i>Wednesday, Apr. 23</i> Man. U. vs. Madrid Milan vs. Ajax	<i>Tuesday, May 13</i> Inter-Valencia winner vs. Ajax-Milan winner
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<u>Sports</u>

Raikkonen wins wet, wild Brazilian GP

Torrential rains lead to eventual stoppage of race, too treacherous for Schumacher and nine other drivers

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AP) – Kimi Raikkonen of Finland won a shortened Brazilian Grand Prix on Apr. 6 after the race on a rain-drenched track was stopped because of spinouts and crashes.

The race was halted during the 55th lap, with Italy's Giancarlo Fisichella in front. But officials declared the race over at the end of the 53rd lap, when Raikkonen was first.

Only 10 of the 20 drivers finished the race, which normally runs 71 laps. Six of the non-finishers went off the track at the third corner, which was filled with water following tropical downpours.

This was the second consecutive victory for Raikkonen, who won last month's Malaysian Grand Prix.

Fisichella celebrated with his crew moments after the race was stopped, then learned he came in second.

"I won the race, but rules are rules," he said. "But I never thought I would get second place to begin with, so this is a great result."

Five-time Formula One champion Michael Schumacher was knocked out of the running earlier when his car spun off the 4.309-kilometer Interlagos course. Also spinning out in the same wet corner were Juan Pablo Montoya, Antonio Pizzonia, Jensen Button, Justin Wilson and Jos Verstappen.

No one was hurt but all the cars were damaged. Rubens Barrichello, on the pole, was forced out because of trouble with his car's fuel system. The Brazilian drove his Ferrari off the track during the 47th lap after taking the lead in the 44th.

That left both Ferrari drivers, Schumacher and Barrichello, out of the race.

"The car came out of the lake corner and it cut out, completely," Barrichello said. "It was very frustrating as I was sure I could win."

Raikkonen, in a McLaren-Mercedes, finished in 1 hour, 29 minutes, 53.179 seconds. Fisichella was 0.831 seconds behind. Spain's Fernando Alonso was third, followed by Britain's David Coulthard and Germany's Heinz-Harald Frentzen.

The race was stopped shortly after Alonso went out of control and crashed in debris that littered the track following Mark Webber's crash a short time earlier.

Alonso was taken away in a stretcher, and gave a thumbs-up sign as he was carried away. The Spanish driver was taken by helicopter to a hospital and was "out of danger," but details of his injuries were not immediately available, race spokesman Marcio Fonseca said.

A hospital statement said that he was conscious and in stable condition and had suffered no internal injuries. Alonso was placed under observation for 12 hours, said hospital spokeswoman Andrea Moraes, adding that she had no further information.

Webber was not hurt and wasn't sure why he spun and crashed into a fence.

"Given the unforgiving nature of this circuit combined with the heavy fuel load I was carrying, I suspect the tires were struggling with grip," he said.

Montoya and Pizzonia's cars collided after the drivers lost control on the 24th lap. Schumacher went off at the same spot one lap later. He struck Pizzonia's Jaguar, which had not been taken off the track.

Button spun out on the 33rd lap. Wilson was the first to spin out at the corner, going off the track on the 22nd lap.

The first drivers were forced out of the race on the 17th lap when the suspension on Ralph Firman's Jordan failed spectacularly, sending him smashing into the back end of the Toyota of a mystified Olivier Panis.

"I felt a big hit on the back of the car and couldn't understand what had happened," Panis said. "Only when Ralph explained did I understand."

The start was delayed 15 minutes because of rain. Drivers have complained this year that a new rule allowing only one kind of wet tire at Formula One circuits makes racing more dangerous.

The teams chose to use so-called intermediate tires at the race. They do not perform as well on wet tracks as other kinds of tires.



Colombia's Juan Pablo Montoya is chased by Australia's Mark Webber, Apr. 6, during the Brazilian Formula One Grand Prix in Sao Paulo. Montoya was later knocked out of the race; Webber was one of only 10 finishers, coming in ninth. Kimi Raikkonen of Finland won the race with the time of 1:29:53.179. (AP)

Kiev Sport Club – your world of fitness and yoga

"Kiev Sport Club" (KSC), the first large-scale fitness-center in Kiev and Ukraine, has opened its doors 5 years ago. At that time its opening was a true revelation. Besides up-to-standard conditions for training, KSC was the first to offer exotic (at that time!) disciplines. Tae-Bo was one of them. The variety of exercises in groups is extraordinary ranging from aqua fitness and the whole family of power classes to spinning - cyclesimulators with music.

Today personal training offered in all kinds of fitness exercises is extremely popular among Kyivites. KSC provides individual approach to each client's needs considering his/her health condition, age, and purposes of training. Squash is among most wanted games at KSC. Squash admirers make up teams that are well-trained and able to compete at a professional level. Personal training in squash is offered as well. KSC has all kinds of aerobics and, of course, Yoga classes taught with professionalism and skill. Well-known experts recognized all over the world teach Yoga to both adults and kids. "Yoga-center" has become the original feature of KSC. Fitness for kids is the most recent addition to KSC's services. Clients' kids were engaged in different activites in the past, however the activities served as an entertainment only. Recognizing the need to pay special attention to kids' fitness, KSC team has created a special "Kids' Club". The club offers a complex of exercises with the trainer for kids of 3 to 16 years old. Soon there will be groups for children of 1.5-3 years old - to exercise with mommies and daddies.

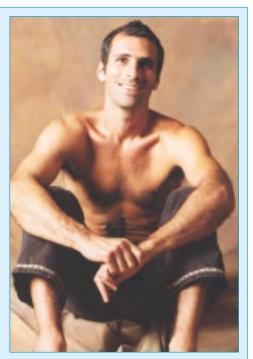
youngsters had a great chance to do whatever they wanted under a close supervision of five teachers-instructors. Parents of most kids brought their children to the club and left the little ones with other people for the first time. Kids were so engaged in the games that didn't notice anything else, including parents' comments and remarks. They were happy.

The presentation also included kids' yoga, spinning - "driving" on cyclesimulators when listening to music, and swimming. Joyful atmosphere and an opportunity to goofy around is what kids needed to be happy. They got all of it and, most importantly, healthy exercises under the supervision of proficient and skillful experts

Kiev Sport Club has its special atmosphere and style that testity KSC is much more that just a bia training hall. The club subscription includes the whole system of disciplines, training classes, workouts, and all other offered services. It is also a ticket to exclusive friendly atmosphere and Sport spirit. At KSC, many holidays, including Christmas, are celebrated in a sporty manner (adults become children, children become adults; everyone gets a present). Big picnics and bike rides are common at KSC. The last club news will be of interest to many. On April 22-23, the Kiev Sport Club welcomes Bryan Kest, a legendary founder of Original Power Yoga, one of the most popular yoga trends in the world. His arrival is a sensation for all Kyivites-admirers of yoga. Bryan Kest practices yoga for 24 years and teaches it to others for 19 years. For almost a quarter of the century the Original Power Yoga provided an amazing training for body, mind, and soul. Kest's yoga has made him famous and thousands people - complete both bodily and spiritually.

The popularity of Original Power Yoga is based on the teaching of true ancient yoga and Kest's personal industrious way of development. At fifteen, Bryan left home in Detroit and decided to completely change his life. He went to Hawaii where his first experience of Ashtanga-yoga took place. Bryan has become greatly involved in the Ashtanga-yoga, and he noticed considerable changes that it had done to his physical and mental well-being. The yoga became his passion and has inspired him on trip to India. He had a unique chance to be trained by great Indian teachers, including Pattabhi Jois, for the whole year. After that, Bryan independently mastered yoga.

Studios founded by Kest successfully function in Santa Monica and Calabasas (California) while



Kiev Sport Club

The Kiev Sport Club has officially started working in this direction by holding a presentation of the kids' Sport club, a hall with a huge windows and mirrors on the walls. Fifteen small groups of he conducts seminars in the most remote parts of the world. The intensive training course created by Bryan for teachers of yoga has become an essential achievement of Kest's work.

Since 1995, Kest appeared on TV. He played a leading role in a series of his movies filmed by Warner Brothers, and later on released a series movies distributed on tapes and CDs. It is worthwile to have his tape at home; however, the influence of face-to-face communication is not to be underestimated. Many people have been trying hard to take yoga lessons from Kest personally. Hollywood stars David Duhovny, Elizabeth Shue, Pamela Anderson, and a well-known basketball player Kobbi Brajant are among his students.

Those individuals who are lucky to visit Bryan Kest's yoga lessons at Kyiv Sport Club will open new horizons and opportunities in developing body and soul. Unforgettable impressions are guaranteed. Brian Kest will hold two classes for KSC members at Kiev Sport Club and two more classes at the National University of Physical Training and Sports of Ukraine.

5, Druzhby Narodov Blvd. phone: 252 88 66, 252 88 68

Classes Schedule at Kiev Sport Club

(KSC clients only) 1:15 pm, Tuesday, April 22 3:00 pm, Wednesday, April 23

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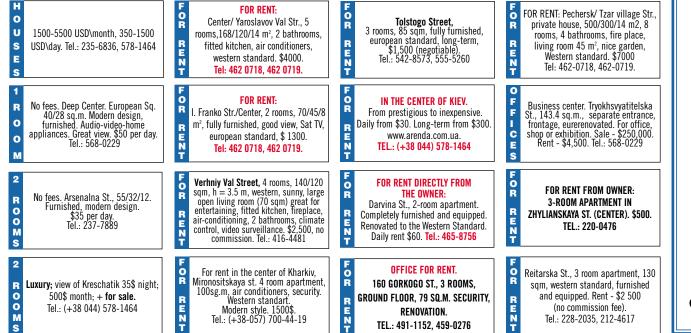
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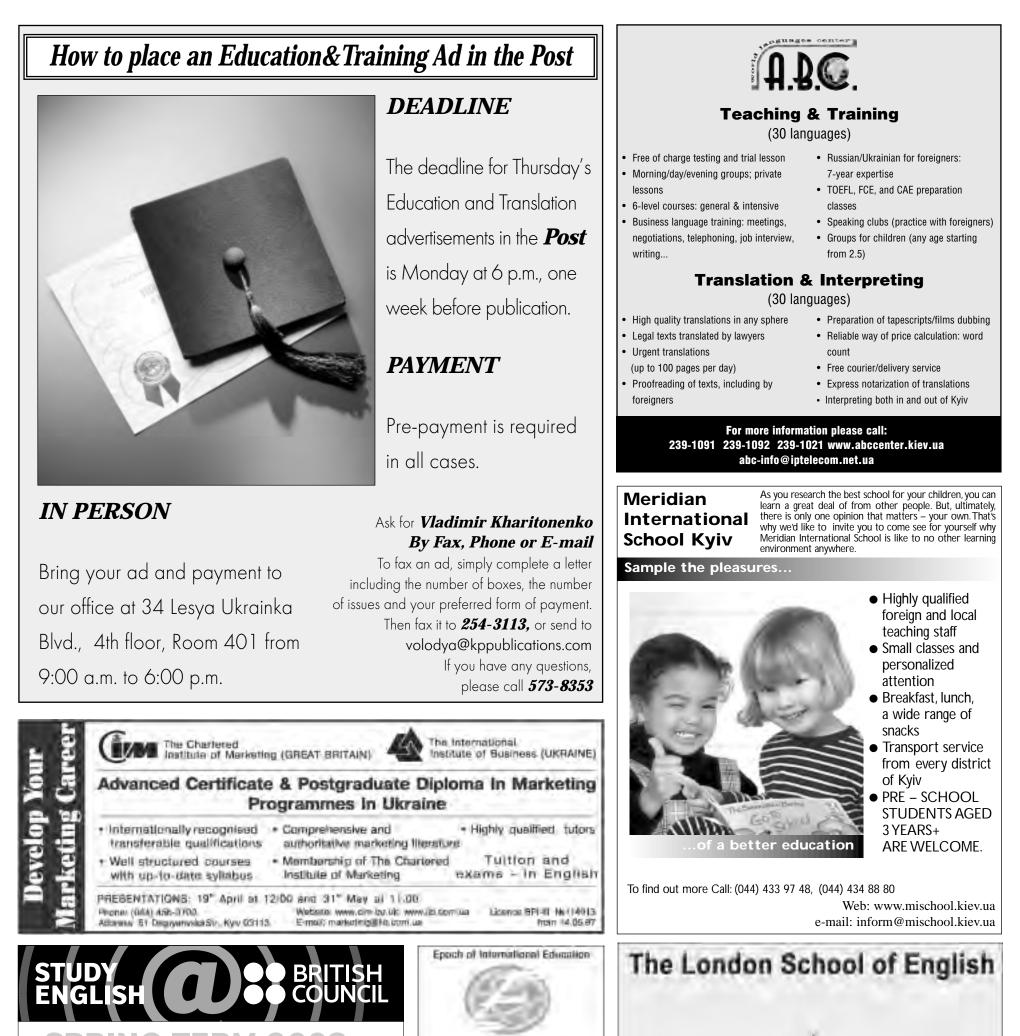
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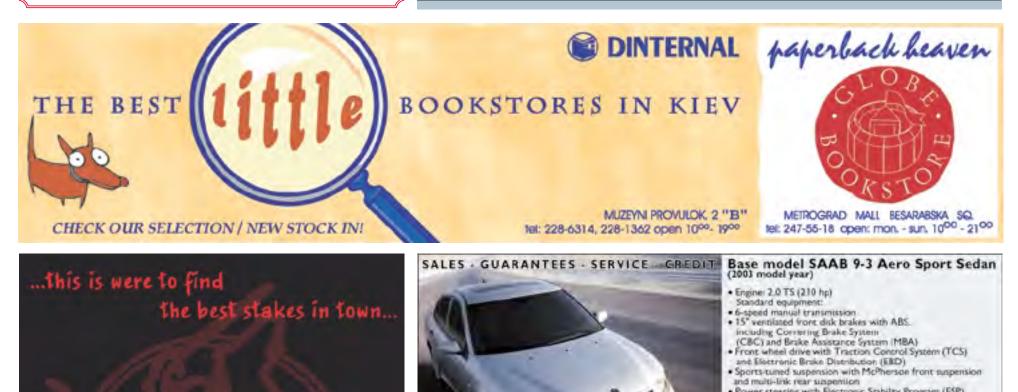
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Music

CONCERT: Emma Shapplin. The fast-rising French singer presents a hybrid of classical music with contemporary R&B and the pop star image. Although not exactly taking the States by storm with her combination of pop and opera (consider Vanessa Mae and Sarah Brightman), Shapplin does possess an undisputable amount of talent. The French soprano's debut album "Carmine Meo" (1997) has already sold a surprising 2 million copies. Currently Shapplin is touring to promote her second album, "Etterna," released in 2002. *Ukraine Palace (103 Chervonoarmiyska, 247-2476). Thu., Apr. 17, 7 p.m. Tickets Hr 50 to Hr 1,200.*



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Music

CLUB: Strike Jazz Cocktail. The Embassy of Finland and the French Cultural Center have teamed up with the International Jazzmen Association to introduce to Ukraine two prominent jazz musicians in the flesh. One of the musicians, French saxophonist Sylvian Beuf has been nominated several times as best jazz musician in France since his debut release in 1994. Since then he has recorded 20 albums and is a near-permanent fixture at various jazz festival with his trio. The other musician is Pepa Paivinen, widely acclaimed by jazz fans in his native Finland and elsewhere. A recent recipient of an Emma, the Finnish equivalent of a Grammy, Paivinen won for his Trio's 1999 album "Umpsukkelis" (Underwater). The event will last two days with near-obligatory jam sessions after the actual concerts. *Strike (84 Peremohy Prospekt, 442-6464). Buef's trio: Fri., Apr. 18, 8 p.m.; Paivinen's trio: Sat., Apr. 19, 8 p.m.*



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Music

CONCERT: Phil Shoenfelt & Southern Cross. Organized and inspired by Englishman Phil Shoenfelt, who moved to Prague in 1995 and settled there on a permanent basis, the Czech-based Southern Cross takes the music and lyrics written by Shoenfelt and use their musicianship to reflect themes of the outcast adrift in a hostile landscape, and relationships that are frequently obsessive and destructive. His music has a dark, haunting quality reminiscent of American delta blues and country music. Counted among his main influences are bands and musicians who combine great music with intelligent lyrics: Lou Reed, Leonard Cohen, Nick Cave, Neil Young, Patti Smith and others. *Art Club 44 (44 Khreshchatyk, 229-4137). Sat., Apr. 12, 7 p.m. Tickets Hr 20.*

CONCERT: A-Studio. A-Studio is a band of Kazakhs who exemplify the meaning of a show-biz chameleon. Having existed for more than 10 years as an all-male group of romantics playing love ballads, they suddenly changed to become a lively pop disco number with female lead vocals. Their first single, S.O.S., quickly earned new fans among those inclined to catchy, well-orchestrated pop, and especially among those who love to dance. *Maximum (12/37 Dekabrystov, 562-6262). Fri., Apr. 11, midnight.*

CONCERT: Voskresenie (Resurrection). One of the veterans of the Russian alternative scene, Voskresenie emerged more than 20 years ago and has remained one of Russia's most beloved bands of this genre ever since. Their last album, "Not In A Hurry," finished with an eclectic sound, which according to the musicians was a delicate experiment involving space and time, and included old songs that were never previously released as well as new material. Vocalist and guitarist Andry Sapunov likes to think of himself as a poet-laureate. *Ukraine Palace (103 Chervonoarmiyska, 268-9250). Tue., Apr. 15, 7 p.m. Tickets Hr 30 to Hr 200.*

CONCERT: Quadragesima. One of the leaders of the Ukrainian music vanguard, the band is best seen and heard live as their "nuclear" mix of rock-n-roll and electronica creates such vigorous waves of energy that seem to defy all proper recording attempts. This also happens to be the reason why the band is in no hurry to release an album, recording separate singles once in a while instead. Quadragesima has already overstepped the limits of the club audience, after releasing their first video "Urbanajungla." Fans eagerly await their second video, "You Dance," which is soon to begin shooting. *Stoned Baboon (39 Bohdana Khmelnytskoho, 234-1503). Fri., Apr. 11, 7:30 p.m. Tickets Hr 20.*

CLUBS: Max Chorny and the YP Orchestra. Having defined his own musical formula and professional circles, Chorny can now choose among clubs, his arrival anticipated almost everywhere. His unique music aesthetics and combination of live instruments and electronica make him the perfect fit for today's sonic youth. Part of last year's Buddha Bar compilation, Chorny's big hit "Gde Trava?" (Where's the Grass?) added weight to the disc's heavy slant towards oriental lounge. This time, Chorny tries out a new program with guitarists Vitaly Rustamov and Yury Pylyp. *Stoned Baboon (39 B. Khmelnytskoho, 234-1503). Sun., Apr. 13, 7 p.m. Tickets Hr 20.*

Dance

CONCERT: The Jazz Tap Ensemble. The work of this renowned Los-Angeles dance group is a fusion of two truly American arts – tap dance and jazz. Organized in 1979, the troupe has remained a leader in tap, performing all over the world and now visiting Ukraine for the first time. Their energized set means hurricane-force tap-dancing that's sure to melt the snow and leave no one out in the cold. *Zhovtnevy Palace (1 Instytutska, 229-1582). Sun., Apr. 13, 7 p.m. Tickets Hr 80 to Hr 400.*

Arts

EHXIBITION: "**Turbulence.**" This exhibit is the first comprehensive presentation of contemporary visual art by The Netherlands in Ukraine, featuring 11 artists and art groups, and created with the cooperation of the Museum of Contemporary Art in Arnhem, Netherlands. It deals not with the formal aspects of contemporary art, but with questions of the laws of the existence and development of society. Conflict and unrest; the link between invention and reality; the dominance of mass media over visual art; ideal images created by our society – these are just some of the themes the artists propose for your consideration. *The Center for Contemporary Art (2 Skovorody, 238-2446). From April 12 through May 18. (See "Dutch" on page 34C.)*

EXHIBITION: "Hope" by Boris Yegiazaryan. Yegiazaryan presents 20 graphics, 10 paintings and 4 collages united by a single, biblical theme. For many years Yegiazaryan has devoted himself to the idea of 'the positive in life.' There is a lot of pain and suffering around and the artist's main aim always remains the same – to bring tender, warm and light feelings into the viewers' souls. *ARTEast gallery (13 Reitarska, 229-6552). Through April 28.*

BOOK PRESENTATION: "99 Francs" by Frederic Beigbeder. The French author personally presents his cult book "99 Francs." The novel, a harsh attack on consumerism, declares that we still live under a totalitarian regime. We are enslaved by the power of an advertising world that dictates where to live, what to eat and what to wear, he believes. This slavery is worse than any other existed before — it's very subtle, hypnotizing, and it gives people the false impression of being masters of their own lives. Having spent years in advertising, Beigbeder knows the ad game by heart. The presentation promises to be an interesting event for those who feel strongly on the topic. The Baboon appearance will allow readers to discuss his works with him. *Citrus bookstore (Mandarin Plaza at 4 Baseyna, 5th flr., 230-9537). Fri., Apr. 11, 6 p.m. and Stoned Baboon (39 B. Khmelnytskoho, 234-1503). Sat., Apr. 12, 7 p.m.*

Special Event

HAIRSTYLING SHOW: Serhey Zverev. The reigning World and European overall champion, Russian hairdresser/stylist Serhey Zverev is beloved by the Russian cultural elite. Typically backstage in make-up and hairdresser support for popular Russian stars and their shows, Zverev also steps out of this role and stages his own shows that revolve around his hairdressing wizardry. Surely the man hides more up his sleeve then just remarkable cutting techniques in order to keep his audience interested for a two-hour show. *Kyiv Polytechnic Institute concert hall (37 Peremohy Prospekt, 441-1818). Sat., Apr. 12, 7 p.m. Tickets Hr 60 to Hr 275.*



Phil Shoenfelt & Southern Cross will check out the local jazz scene by playing Art Club 44 on Apr. 12. (www.shoenfelt.euweb.cz)



Quadragesima will go mad with quadraphonia once again at Stoned Baboon on Apr. 11. (Post photo by Natalia Kravchuk)



Eugeniy Margulis together with the rest of Voskresenie will prove the band's resurrection at Ukraine Palace on Apr. 15. (www.zvuki.ru)



Serhey Zverev will demonstrate his hairdressing talents at Kyiv Polytechnical Institute concert hall on Apr. 12. (www.zverev.krasota.ru)

LIVE MUSIC

Art Club 44 (44 Khreshchatyk, 229-4137) Music starts at 10 p.m. Fri 11 Z.X.U.K. D'Lights DJs. Sat 12 Phil Shoerifelt & Southern Cross (Czech Republic). D'Lights DJs. Sun 13 Olha Voichenko and Serhiy Kapelushok. Jam session. Mon 14 Vania Bondarev. Tue 15 Marina Urasova. Wed 16 ZAPPA. Serhiy Ohrimchuk band. Thu 17 Band 44. DJ Ingvo.

Baboon (39 Kmelnitskoho, 234-1503) Fri 11 Quadragessima. 7 p.m. Sun 13 Jazz improv.

Buddy Guy (Passazh, 228-5577) Music starts at 9 p.m. Fri 11 Smack Band. Sat 12 Second Breath. Sun 13 East Side.

Cowboy Club (Passazh, 228-1717) Music starts at 10:30 p.m. Fri 11 Music Station. Sat 12 Jankoy Brothers. Sun 13 New Foxtrot Band. Mon 14 Second Breath. Tue 15 Live Size. Wed 16 Southern Hot Guys. Thu 17 Second Breath.

Deja-Vu (30 Bohdana Khmelnytskoho, 235-9802) Music starts at 8 p.m. Fri 11 Merry Weather Hunters. Sat 12 Traveling Band. Sun 13 Night Groove. Mon 14 Smack Band. Tue 15 Jive Revue. Wed 16 Traveling Band. Thu 17 Night Groove.

The Drum (4A Prorizna, 229-2355) Music starts at 8 p.m. Fri 11 The Dmitty Trio. Sat 12 The Drum Trio. Sun 13 La Fantasia. Mon 14 The Thoughtful Guys. Tue 15 28. Wed 16 The Stream Duo. Thu 17 The Andry Trio.

Golden Gate (40/2 Volodymyrska, 235-5188) Music starts at 9 p.m. Fri 11 Kontraband. Sat 12 New Foxtrot Band.

Jepson Blues (31 Shevchenko Boulevard, 234-2587) Music starts at 7:30 p.m. Fri 11 Serhy Ovsyannykov Quartet. Sati 12 Ihor Zakus Quartet. Wed 13 Vitaly Ivanov.

O'Brien's (17A Mykhailivska, 229-1584) Music starts at 9:30 p.m. Fri 11 CD Band. Sat 12 Kontraband. Thu 17 Kirill Borodin.

River Palace (Metro Dnipro, Naberezhne shose, 490-6695) Music starts at 11 p.m. Free admission. Fri 11 Alex & Dixie Band Sat 12 Volodymir Presniakov. Sun 13 Kontraband. Mon 14 Rendezvous. Tue 15 Esperanza. Wed 16 Rendezvous. Thu 17 Southern Hot Guys.

Strike (84 Prospect Pobedy, 442-6464) Fri 18 Sylvain Beuf trio (France). Sat 19 Pepa Paivinen trio (Finland).

Swing (11 Volodymyrska, 229-2865) Music starts at 8 p.m. Fri 11 Alex Dixie Band. Sat 12 Swing Jubilee Band. Sun 13 Sound Breeze. Mon 14 Lady Be Good. Lana Merkulova. Tue 15 Mercedes Band. Wed 16 Night Groove. Thu 17 Swing Jubilee Band.

Ukraine Palace (103 Chervonoarmiyska, 247-2476, 7 p.m.) Sat 12 70s Hit Parade: Zemliane, Tsvety, Poushchie Gitary, Veselye Rebiata, Samotsvety and others. Tue 15 Voskresenie. Wed 16 Oleh Gazmanov. Thu 17 Emma Shapplin.

Zhovtnevy Palace (1 Instytutska, 229-1582) Sun 13 Tap Jazz Ensemble. 7 p.m.

CLUB EVENTS	(Events begin at consistent times or as no	oted.)			
111 (1 Peremohy Prospekt, 221-7741, 10 p.m.)	4177, 10 p.m.)	Touch, Twins.	MAXIMUM (12/37 Dekabristiv, 562-6262, 11 p.m.)	Sat 12 House Classic Series. DJs Jungle, Doom, Julia.	Tue 8 DJ Denis.
Fri 11 Dance until the morning as usual. DJ	Fri 11 DJs Slon, Puh. MC Zanoza. Striptease. Go-go.	Sun 13 Great Disco. DJ Sputnik. 9 p.m.	Fri 11 "A-Studio" concert. Go-go: Maximum.	U , ,	
Robert.	Sat 12 DJs Slon, Puh. MC Zanoza. Striptease.	Mon 14 Dionis party. Wine tasting.	Sat 12 Ministry of Love party. Special guest: DJ	PLAZMA (5A Porika, 433-6778, 11 p.m.)	SOVOK (17 Vorovskoho, 212-0447, 10 p.m.)
Sat 12 Disco Dance party. DJs Robert, Lutique,	Go-go.	Tue 15 Latino-American Girls party. MC Mir, DJ	Tony (Odessa). DJs Yoshi, Eugene, Phoenix,	Fri 11 Miss Aphrodite party. Erotic dance	Fri 11 Meat-2 party. DJs Brothers, Nash, Korovin.
Listik and Zhenya.	Sun 13 Student party. DJ Slon. Go-go. MC	Peace.	Balkonsky, Rus. MC Lapot. Go-go: Maximum, De	contest. "Underground" ballet. MC Andriy	Special guest: DJ Ice.
Sun 13 Sunday Kamikadze: Dance Till You Go to	Zanoza. Striptease. 6 p.m.	Wed 16 MC Masha & DJ Peace.	Lux.	Dzhedzhula. DJ Stalker.	Sat 12 Meat-2 party. DJs Brothers, Nash,
Work. DJ Listik. <i>11 p.m.</i>	Thu 15 Lady's night. DJ Slon. MC Zuber. Go-go.	Thu 17 MC Forest & DJ Eji.	Sun 13 DJ Balkonsky & DJ Rus. 7 p.m.	Sat 12 Fashion Club party. La Femme Models	Korovin.
Mon 14 DJ Zhenya.	Striptease.		Tue 15 Disco. DJs Balskonsky & Rus.	presents the best collections of spring/summer	Sun 13 DJ Korovin.
Tue 15 Popcorn party. DJ Zhenya.		FORMULA CLUB (2 Okruzhna, 476-3820, 10 p.m.)	Wed 16 Disco. DJs Phoenix, Eugene. Go-Go:	2003. MC Rybik, DJ Alfred. Go-go: Mersedance.	Mon 14 Safemania party. DJ Korovin.
Wed 16 DJ Zhenya.	CARIBBEAN CLUB (4 Kominterna, 244-4290, 11 p.m.)	Fri 11 Cosmo Weekend. DJs El Dar, Intell. MC Hot	Twins, Blockshot. Striptease.	Sun 13 We Start KVN party. The best Kyiv KVN	Tue 15 DJ Denis Druzba.
Thu 17 Barman show. DJ Robert.	Fri 11 On the Streets of Old Havana show	Heads. Go-go: L2.	Thu 17 Wild Dogs, Maugli, Night Man, erotic	teams. DJ Alfred. MC Katya. 10 p.m.	
AL DADONE (E1A Usersatura 227 0250)	program. Disco Latino.	Sat 12 Cosmo Weekend. DJs El Dar, Intell. MC	snake shows. MC Kupidon. Live music.	Wed 16 Student party. DJ Stalker. MC Ira-	SUN CITY - SLAVUTYCH (Hydropark, 451-6585)
AL CAPONE (51A Harmatna, 237-9259)	Sat 12 Tropicana show program. Disco Latino.	Hot Heads. Go-go: L2.		Champion.	Fri 11 DJ Illia Shutsky. MC Vanya Horosh. Laser show.
Fri 11 Disco Tarantula party. Esperanza band. 8 p.m.	Sun 13 Disco Latino. 10 p.m.	Sun 13 Auto party. MC Nazar Davydov. 9 p.m.	MIHAILYVSKY (9 Mihailyvska, 228-1664, 10 p.m.)	Thu 17 MC Nazar Davydov. DJ Tolsty.	Sat 12 Guys From Heaven striptease. DJ Illia
Sat 12 Radio Dzhankoy disco. 9 p.m. Sun 13 Club disco.	Mon 14 Disco Latino. 9 p.m.	FUCION (02 Artema 244 E(40, 11 pm)	Fri 11 DJ Small. <i>8 p.m.</i> Sat 12 DJ Fad. MC Vania Khorosh.	DA (2 Mazbubaraka 11((020)	Shutsky. MC Kostya Hnatenko.
Sull 13 Glub disco.	DISCO 0.5 (Metrograd, Bessarabska Ploshcha,	FUSION (82 Artema, 244-5668, 11 p.m.) Fri 11 Fusion Night Life. DJs Demon, Mitrik. Go-	Sal 12 DJ Fau. Mic Vallia Kilulusii.	RA (2 Mezhyhorska, 416-6939) Fri 11 Fashion Collection by Karin models. DJs	TATO (6/11 Perovskoy, 456-1782, 10 p.m.)
BABOON (39 Khmelnytskoho, 234-1503, 10:30 p.m.)	247-5511, 10 p.m.)	go: A6. Sisters.	MILLENIUM (1 Khreshchatyk, 228-4708, 9 p.m.)	Remsky, Dedushka Said. Go-go: Pink Ice Show,	Fri 11 Fashion collection. Erotic show. DJs
Fri 11 Da Breakbeat Night. DJs Vol'D'Mair, Kurill,	Fri 11 Fifth Element party. DJs Dizzy, Sample.	Sat 12 Fusion Night Life. DJs Demon, Mitrik. Go-	Fri 11 Sex Bomb show program.	Harvey Girls, NRG Soul, Shuttle Boys.	Vinogradov. Andreas.
Bobrovsky.	Sat 12 Gagarin, I Loved You party. DJs Dizzy,	go: A6, Sisters. Body Art show.	Sat 12 Erotic dance show.	Sat 12 The Day of Space party. DJs Remsky,	Sat 12 Fashion collection. Striptease. DJs
Sat 12 New Light party. DJs Pavlov, Savelov.	Sample.	Sun 13 Studion 54 party. DJ MFK. MC Lapot. Go-	Sun 13 Erotic dance show.	Dedushka Said. MC Vasiliev. MC Ira Champion.	Vinogradov, Andreas.
Sun 13 Max Chorny & YP Orchestra.	Sun 13 DJs Dizzy, Sample.	go: A6. Sisters.	Mon 14 Erotic detective show.	Go-go: Harvey Girls, Speedway, Black Panthers.	Sun 13 Fashion collection by young Ukrainian
	Mon 14 Cocktail Mix Boom, Barman show,	50.10, 00000.	Tue 15 The Army of Love show.	Sun 13 Disco Hits of 80s party. DJ Remsky.	designers. Striptease. DJ Vinogradov.
BINGO (112 Peremohy Prospekt, 42-42555, 10 p.m.)	Tue 15 A Holiday for Beer Bellies party.	MATRIX (1 Khreshchatyk, 228-4708, 11 p.m.)	Wed 16 Erotic detective show.	can to prote this of cost purify by Remony.	Mon 14 Young designers present their
Fri 11 DJs Fix. Dedushka Said. MC Ori.		Fri 11 DJ/MC Wolf. Go-go: Delux.	Thu 17 Night Tales of Shaherezada.	SAFE (23 Chervonoarmiyska, 536-0157)	collections. Striptease. DJ Andreas.
Sat 12 McCoffee Rally Team party. "Alibi" band.	FIESTA (115 Gorkoho, 269-4029, 10 p.m.)	Sat 12 DJ/MC Wolf. DJ Gosha. Go-go: Delux.		Fri 4 DJs Brothers, Nash, Korovin.	Tue 15 Fashion collection. Striptease. DJ
Sun 13 DJ Lay.	Fri 11 Latina Bum party. DJ Eji. MC Tolik. Go-go:	Sun 13 DJ Woldemar.	OPIUM DANCE CLUB (1G Saksahanskoho, 205-5393)	Sat 5 DJs Brothers, Nash, Korovin.	Vinogradov.
-	Sabonero.	Mon 14 Euro-Hit 2000 party. DJ Gosha.	Fri 11 Sun Shine party. DJ Shmel (Moscow). DJs	Sun 6 DJ Korovin.	Wed 16 Striptease, disco.
BOOMERANG (14 Radyanskoy Ukrainy, 434-	Sat 12 MC Orest. DJ Lutik, Vaise. Go-go: Don't	Tue 8 Dance program. DJ Vayat.	Delfin, Alex K.	Mon 7 DJ Korovin.	Thu 17 Girls party. Fashion collection.

DAY (X NIGHT

Kyiv boasts of lavish history in buildings and balance

Turn-of-the-century landmarks recall era of prosperity and proportionality in design

By ANNA KOZMINA

Special to the Post

"If I could travel in time, I would choose to live a while in the early 1900s in Kyiv" – a Kyiv which writer Mikhail Bulgakov lovingly described in his novel "White Guard" as "a wonderful town, a happy town."

My great-aunt Vera Lypnytska was born in 1914. She remembers a bit of this same pre-revolutionary Kyiv: a brightly lit opera house, elegant horsedrawn carriages and a few shiny black automobiles with loud horns. She also remembers the mysterious hustle behind the plush curtains backstage, where her father, a stage director, often took her. Sunday promenades on Khreshchatyk Street where, following an unwritten law, the nobility kept to the right side of the street and the new Bessarabska Market. Commoners kept to the left side, with the beautiful city council building as a backdrop. Though they never mixed, nobody felt inconvenienced.

DIFFERENT VIEW OF HISTORY

"Kyiv was different back then," great-aunt Vera said. "Until the 1940s it had more of a family feeling. People were happier and more attentive to each other and to their city."

Today walking around Kyiv and looking at the buildings, one can still catch a glimpse of that bygone time. Many of the buildings in Kyiv's city

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ment of the sugar industry, Kyiv turned from a provincial town into the 'sugar capital" of the Russian Empire.

"This is my favorite period – the turn of the 20th century," said Kyiv historian and researcher Mykhailo Kalnytsky. "It was the period of Kyiv's biggest flourish since the times of Kyivan Rus."

On some of the most curious of Kyiv's buildings one can notice a bronze plate identifying it as an architectural or historical monument. Going beyond the scant information provided on the plaques there are the life stories, intrigues and dramas of Kyiv's past. "Juicy meat on the bones of history," as Kyiv historian Vladislava Osmak of the One Street Museum put it.

IN PROPER PROPORTIONS

"Early 20th century Kyiv was eclectic and contradictory: backward in the outskirts and ultra-modern in the center, with electric lampposts, carriages on new inflatable tires and shops gleaming with commercial products," Osmak began, "even as a rapidly developing industrial city, Kyiv remained cozy and, I would say, proportional to its people."

New buildings and streets, such as the Polytechnic institute or Kadetske Highway (today's Povitroflotsky Prospect) were huge for their time but retained their beauty, charm and tranquility.

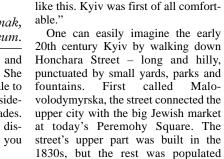
Take the quarter behind St. Sofia -

"TODAY, [POST-SOVIET] KYIV IS A BIT KITSCHY, IN A STYLE OF A NEWLY RICH GYPSY. IT'S NEVER BEEN LIKE THIS. KYIV WAS FIRST OF ALL COMFORTABLE."

> – Vladislava Osmak, One Street Museum.

Striletska and Reitarska streets and center date to that boom time when cinema, telephones, electricity and Yaroslaviv Val, Osmak suggests. She even airplanes quickly became part of takes note of the correlation of scale to life. The miseries of World War I and size, the width of the streets and sidethe Bolshevik revolution were yet to walks, and the height of the facades. The streets are not wide, it is not distressing to cross them, and yet you In the late 19th and early 20th century, Kyiv went through a construction don't feel confined.

Osmak claims that this effect is



streets) were quite rare.

and a special way of painting.

Two buildings side by side are rarely

painted in the same color, but still it

didn't look gaudy. Bright buildings

such as the Leipzig Hotel (on the cor-

ner of Volodymyrska and Prorizna

kitschy, in a style of a newly rich

Gypsy," Osmak said. "It's never been

"Today, [post-Soviet] Kyiv is a bit

extremely slowly over time, as it





Honchara 60, the former home of Dr. Mykhailo Lapynsky, has always been a place of residence, but an opulent one at that. It has two apartments on each floor, each containing seven rooms, with exquisite wallpaper, oak parquet floors and painted ceilings in each. In 1914, it even boasted such state-of-the-art amenities as two elevators. (Post photo by Natalia Kravchuk)

reached by smart partitioning of the passed through the site of a former facades using windows, decorations, dump.

Up to the late 19th century the city was comprised of one- or two-story houses, most made of wood. To imagine how it could have looked, consider a few of the wooden buildings that remain in Kyiv: the Andriyivska Church warden's home at Andriyivsky Uzviz 19; the Russian-style house, part of the former city water pump, on Naberezhne Shosse 4; or the house where poet Taras Shevchenko lived as an art student on Shevchenka Provulok 8A

But soon these houses were replaced by four- to six-story giants, mostly houses for rent, designed by the city's most prominent architects: Volodymyr Nikolayev, Petro Alyoshyn and Oleksandr Kobelev.

EXEMPLARY QUALITIES

One of Kyiv's best examples of the art nouveau style is a gray house at Honchara 33. Overgrown with ivy, it sports gargoyles on its roof and a sculpture of a lion, which bares its teeth to passers-by. Some of the details - an arch leading to the backyard and its ornate gates – are copies of a renowned example of art nouveau architecture, Beranger's House in Paris.

The house by celebrated architect Georgy Ledokhovsky is both an architectural and historical monument. It was built in 1907 as a residence and address directory identifies Lapynsky clinic for Dr. Petro Kachkovsky, an as head of the "nerve and spirit disassistant professor at St. Volodymyr eases clinic" of Aleksandrovska University, who was also the consultant for Kyiv's Hospital for Unskilled Laborers and the Free Hospital for Children. The next year, Kachkovsky opened a surgery and eye clinic, which was soon bought by the Makovsky family. According to Vasyl Doguzov, a consultant at the Museum of Medicine, neither Kachkovsky or Makovsky were considered famous among Kyiv doctors, but the Kachkovsky house was. In 1911, a mortally wounded Pyotr Stolypin - the Russian Empire's Interior Minister and the initiator of a severe agrarian reform - died in Makovsky's hospital. turned into a research institute for labor hygiene and occupational dis-

eases. Today the building houses one of the offices of the Rukh party.

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Another notable building, an architectural ensemble erected in 1908, is at Honchara 60. The seven-story neogothic building stands on a hill just off the street. Decorated with gables and pinnacles on the roof, it looks like a medieval fortress, surrounded by a wall with a gate and a round watchtower (the former caretaker's house). Reaching the entrance requires climbing the stairs and crossing over a bridge.

"In the early 1900s, the neo-styles and stylistic mixture was extremely fashionable in Kyiv," Osmak commented. "Another example of neogothic is Richard's Castle on Andriyivsky Uzviz."

ADDRESSING THE PAST

Honchara 60 was a house for rent, and it remains a residential building to this day. It had two flats on each floor, each containing seven rooms, with exquisite wallpaper, oak parquet floors and painted ceilings. It even boasted such state-of-the-art amenities as two elevators. The housekeeping units for ice storage, laundry and animal barns were masterfully hidden, their collective roof serving as a front yard and garden for the house's inhabitants.

Honchara 60 belonged to Dr. Mykhailo Lapynsky. The 1914 Kyiv Hospital. The directory also contains an ad of Lapynsky's health center: "Water and light therapy, electric therapy. 50 separate rooms." But according to Doguzov, Lapynsky wasn't famous for his medical achievements. He entered Kyiv history as a real estate owner, which was not unusual for the time. "The early 20th century enabled Kyiv's medical science to flourish," Doguzov explained. "The doctors were well-off and respected citizens, and many of them owned real estate." Today, the house is an architectural monument recognized by the city. The Code of Architectural Monuments After the revolution, the clinic was calls it "a unique phenomenon for a regular residential building in the early 20th century of Kyiv."

One of Kyiv's best examples of the art nouveau style is a gray house at Honchara 33. Overgrown with ivy, it sports gargoyles on its roof and a sculpture of a lion, which bares its teeth to passers-by. (Post photo by Natalia Kravchuk)



Nightclub patrons enjoy Fusion of sight and sound

New addition to Kyiv clubbing scene well-designed, well-received and well on its way to being a success

EASILY REMIND THE

THE COLOR SPECTRUM

DOES INDEED STRETCH

BEYOND DARK AND

PRETENTIOUS.

By SAM SINGH

Special to the Post

Over the past year, the city has witnessed the emergence of many new nightclubs. These new playgrounds for the city's party-hardy promise to bring truly new experiences and intrigues to Kyiv's nightclub scene, but not all have delivered that promise; so far, there've been mixed results

While the cheesy and ostentatious often pass for brash and experimental, Fusion, the city's latest installment on the nocturnal itinerary, reminds us that there can be more to the clubbing experience than cramped rooms and earsplitting music.

Connected to Soho restaurant by a plastic tube reminiscent of a Star Trek teleporter, the Hr Ukraine's big-club capital – seemed to echo the

50 cover charge for guys (Hr 40 weekdays) and Hr 20 for women (free during the week) gets LIGHT AND SOUND WILL partiers from the club's front doors, past the smartly dressed bouncer CAPITAL'S CLUBBERS THAT wielding the metal detector, and into the fusion of sight and sound.

Fusion boasts one of the city's newest light and sound systems, and boast, it may. The combi-

nation will easily remind the capital's clubbers that the color spectrum does indeed stretch beyond dark and pretentious. The first floor is awash in a healthy glow of neon and pastels, bathing patrons in a kaleidoscope of light. Even the fast-moving and courteous members of the wait staff zip around in multicolored jumpsuits, adding to the visual novelty of the place. Aesthetics are the key to Fusion.

While the second floor seems like the inside of Al's hamburger stand on "Happy Days" due to modest lighting and regular bar and booth set-up (designed to seat those hooked on the hookah craze), the main floor is relatively spacious. Full-length mirrors give the feeling of roominess and plush sofas that snake from the edge of the dance floor to the back corners create a nice lounge effect. They even have an exclusive VIP room away from the music.

Adding to the aesthetics is the sunken main bar, which allows you to literally talk down to the bartenders and servers.

Fusion is certainly not as large as some of the capital's marguis nightclubs such as Opium or Moda Bar, but not nearly as packed, either. mick, but it would be a nice change to see the

Perhaps it's still indicative of the club's newness, but it's not hard to find a seat. Groups of partiers that want to dance or just chill will be happy here.

This latter point might explain the club's decidedly mixed cast of patrons: while the sunglasses-and-leather set have staked a claim to the club, so have the after-dinner crowds and a few hopelessly unstylish ex-pats. It makes for a more casual atmosphere than is often found in other Kviv clubs.

"Fusion is somewhat like other clubs," said Nadya, a frequent clubber on Kyiv's party circuit, referring to the lack of live music, "but at the same time it seems to offer a more relaxing atmosphere.'

Sasha, a visitor from Odessa - arguably

thoughts of many clubbers on the nights the THE COMBINATION OF Post visited.

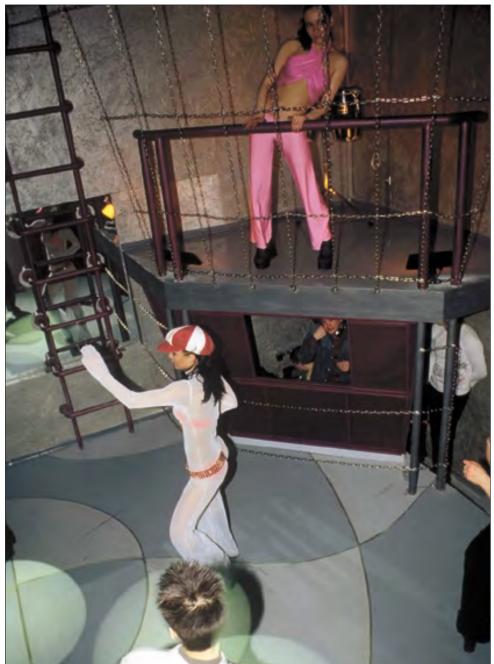
"It has good music and good service," she noted, "and it's safer than the real Soho in London!"

Whatever this last comment means, there are drawbacks to the nightspot. And one major drawback is the music. Like the majority of

clubs in Kviv. Fusion's deejays, promoters and managers must seem to think club-goers can't get enough of that "Knight Rider"-remix in Punjabi, the latest offering from Boney M or the raft of other "Eurotrash" pop tunes presently squawking through amplifiers everywhere. If the club's owners are intent on creating a lounge atmosphere, a definite shift in tempo to something mellower is in order, but if they actually want to make Fusion into something truly different, they need a deejay to spin vinyl rather than hire a disc jockey to keep the CD player busy. Only rarely does Fusion play new and inventive music for its patrons – a pity given the quality acoustics.

On the upside, though, at least these tired rehashed tunes aren't coming at you so loudly that all hope for conversation is lost.

Fusion may share many of the standard aspects of other Kyiv clubs, but with a slight twist: though the vast selection of drinks at the bar is somewhat overpriced, this is countered by visits from the odd server who brings free shots. No doubt this might be an opening month gim-



Kyiv's newest nightclub, Fusion, may not be able to boast live music, but it can lay claim to: a great sound system; friendly wait staff; a laid-back atmosphere sorely missing elsewhere; and, a good review from the Post. (Post photo by Andry Porokhnenko)

free shots, and a reduced cover charge for guys, as permanent fixtures of the club.

And though not located in the heart of the city, Fusion differs from the usual club scene by simply fusing accessibility with a lot less attitude. It may not have taken a nuclear physicist to dream up this combination, but the undeniable result is that Fusion gives Kyiv clubbing a serious boost.

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DAY (NIGHT

Improv key to 'real-life' drama techniques, theater

Black Square Theater enlists trained actors and amateurs to consider their own tales

By JULIA FILIPPOVSKAYA

Special to the Post

The square of black velvet on the floor is the stage. There are no props and no decorations in the room. Here, performers in black trousers and white shirts have total freedom to improvise, for 15 minutes. In addition to acting, they can be their own directors, stage hand and stage designers, until the next group is called to the stage.

"We guarantee an interesting process but we don't guarantee the gripping ending inherent to classical plays," said the Black Square Theater's 33-year-old director, Anatoliy Neelov. "The actors themselves don't know what they will start and end up with."

Sound mysterious? One of the few theaters in Ukraine whose membership is open to the general public, Black Square is considered an improv theater. Ideologically speaking, the theater moved away from "academic" principles 12 years ago to develop a unique method of improvisation that became its basic educational model and performance tool.

"After my graduation from Karpenko-Kariy University, I was tired of saccharine, far-from-realistic plays and declamatory actors," Neelov said. "I wanted to create a 'live' theater, which would feel the pulse of modern life." The result was but it does encourage real personali-

problems and sore points," said 21year old Alina Tunik, an aspiring actress and a five-year veteran of the theater.

It's no surprise that during improvisation, the young actors and actresses at the Black Square subconsciously drive at issues connected with sexual themes, relationships with parents and friends, and many others. This is because a majority of the actors are not professionals and earn their living outside of this non-commercial theater.

Improv actors work through certain real-life situations in the relative safety of the performance environment, which frees them from the fear of consequences in real life. And by acting out such real-life situations, an outlet is formed for the outflow of creativity and experimentation.

A 10-year veteran of the Black Square, 27-year old Oleksy Arestovych is just one of the troupe's actors who's been liberated by the improv style. He left his university theater behind, feeling more prepared for what he called "intrigues" than something he considered actually intriguing.

"Our theater brings reality closer and prepares us to handle such situations when we encounter them in real life," Arestovych said.

The Black Square Theater may not spawn real (i.e. professional) actors,

"OUR THEATER BRINGS REALITY CLOSER AND PREPARES US TO HANDLE SUCH SITUATIONS WHEN WE ENCOUNTER THEM IN REAL LIFE."

- Oleksy Arestokovych, amateur actor.

improvisation method, which restraints. One of these is Tunik. although practiced in North America and Europe, is not as completely developed in form as in Ukraine, Neelov said.

"Upon first entering our theaterstudio, performers experience emotional outbursts. While improvising they confess and speak their real-life fond memories of the theater.

that he became an author of the ties, freed from their inner limits and

"We're always taught [at Karpenko-Kariy University, where she studies] that theater is based on the actors' crushed ambitions," Tunik said. With professional goals in mind rather than needing to solve personal problems, Tunik wants to move on, but retains



Amateur and professional actors come together at the Black Square theater, including Oleksy Arestovych, Iryna Andreyeva, in blue, and Oksana Braginets, to let their life experiences tell the real story. (Post photo by Natalia Kravchuk)

"Neelov has a vision of the cinema-director, who makes 'live' theater based on truth; he uses 'pale shades' of this truth as his instruments and only rarely highlights them with actors' temperaments," Tunik said, contrasting this to the various styles and genres that professional actors must learn, including development of an (improbable) emotional fire. She feels that Neelov nurtures freedom of speech and she is very thankful for having had the chance to work with the theater.

In fact, anyone who wants to learn the art of improvisation or play on the stage may work with Black Square Theater. Newcomers work in a studio-theater for four months where they study acting techniques and improvisation before practicing it on stage. They must also pass an exam in the studio.

And speaking of exams, Neelov

now conducts master-classes in are] not imposed by the occasion or improvisation at the Kviv-Mohyla society," he said. Business School and for a few politicians.

"We invited Neelov to give the basics of improvisation to MBA students, since in business, a person should understand oneself within an environment, adapt quickly and improvise masterly," said KMBS Sheremeta. Dean Pavlo Perseverance, hard-work and personal initiative are keys to success in the theater. Neelov creates an environment where the strong and determined stay with it, rain or shine. He even attempts to dissuade new recruits by saying that the theater is not for them: it's time-consuming and brings no money.

"It's a tough system," Arestovych said, "but it helps trim 'odds and ends' and teaches people to be free and make their own decisions [which neelov@ukr.net

On April 13 the theater will participate in the Rampa International Theater Festival in Dnipropetrovsk. Today there are 12 plays being prepared, simultaneously.

Among the existing plays that are not part of the improvisation genre are "Reminiscences of the Future," inspired by actors' sketches, Douglas Coupland's "Girlfriend in a Coma," and "Murakami-Internet" - a parody on pornographic Web sites and discussions of Murakami's stories.

"The core idea is not to present the latest fad, but something that corresponds to people's needs today," Neelov said regarding the theater's repertoire and the amateurs that perform it. "Otherwise it's snobbery."

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DAY (CNIGHT

Dutch bring 'turbulence' to a land in flux

Exhibition stirs emotions and foments debate on media, art and perceptions of the self

By DANIEL MACISAAC

Post StaffWriter

If art is meant to provoke reaction and promote thought, then Turbulence looks set to shake things up.

Billed as the first comprehensive presentation of Dutch contemporary visual art in Ukraine, the month-long Turbulence exhibition promising to explore how we view the world, through the themes of conflict, unrest, imagination and reality, the role of mass media in visual art, society's image of the ideal and the link between the personal and the political.

"We're describing it as comprehensive because this exhibition deals with some big ideas and offers something to talk about," said Olesya Ostrovska, assistant director of the Center for Contemporary Art, where Turbulence is scheduled to open April 11. "It's not just one or two pieces but a large set of works."

A year in the making, Turbulence was created in partnership with the Museum of Contemporary Art in Arnhem, The Netherlands. The exhibition features the work of 11 Dutch artists and art groups who use installations, video, photographs and paintings. All are united in their effort to address the themes of invention and reality, the visible and the hidden, group dynamics and cultural ideals.

The Arnhem museum's curator for contemporary art, Mirjam Westen, has been overseeing the project.

"There's always an unexpected turbulence behind the surface of the things we take for granted, like a woman's beauty or the idea of family," Ostrovska said. "The artists wanted to address that phenomenon."

Examples include the efforts of Sara Blokland, whose "fam" series of photographs show images of people apparently stable on the surface but who are also lost in themselves, isolated and alienated. In one photo of a man wearing a suit but no shirt, and with his eyes closed and head titled to the side, it's difficult to tell whether the subject is a trendy artist taking a breather after a show or a homeless man waiting his turn at a drop-in clinic.

Klaar van der Lippe tried to examine stereotypes of "the body beautiful" and the media's influence on our perceptions of erotica. Her contribution features footage of a group of young men talking frankly about women and love while sitting in a train carriage, with their faces and true feelings partially hidden from view.

"When you watch the video it feels like a secretly taken snapshot," Westen said, "but the artist is interested in group dynamics and how people behave when a camera is put in their face.'

Westen said there was no specific focus on

CLASSICAL MUSIC

(Concerts begin at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.)

House of Organ and Chamber Music

(77 Chervonoarmiyska, 268-3186) Fri 11 Pergolesi, Rossini, Schuman. Larysa Nazarenko (soprano), Vyacheslav Piatyhorsky (violin), Olha Bondareva (organ). Sat 12 Bach, Handel, Durufle. Iryna Kharchenko (organ), Kyiv-Brass Chamber Choir. Sun 13 Bortniansky, Bilogradska. Natalia Hrebenuk (soprano), Natalia Sviridenko (harpsichord).



video installation as part of their contribution to the Dutch Embassy's Turbulence exhibition in Kyiv beginning Apr. 11 at the Center for Contemporary Art at 2 Skovorody. (Photo courtesy of CCA)

Ukraine in designing Turbulence; the themes it explores, she said, are universal in nature.

"I think the issues [being] discussed are contemporary issues ... in every country; we were thinking of the turmoil in the world in general," she said. "Every generation picks up on these concepts in a new manner. You could say that advertisers and companies are getting much smarter about how to sell their products."

Westen said the Amsterdam-based art group L.A. Raeven (comprised of sisters Liesbeth and Angelique Raeven) has been exploring this theme for some time. She said that for their video installation "Ideal Individual" they filmed young women from a casting agency as they are dressed in matching undershirts and shorts, poked and prodded, measured and finally either accepted or rejected – but without being told why or on what basis.

"The sisters try to recreate the way women are usually judged by their appearances, and the girls from the agency are never told why they're being judged," Westen said. "They're trying to criticize the way industries and firms try to market their products and influence consumer attitudes and dominate our views and ideologies on how to look and behave."

Ostravska said that while the media used in Turbulence - the photography and video, for instance - are already popular in Ukrainian contemporary art, the themes the Dutch artists are tackling are not.

"There are different ideas about which subjects people are addressing," she said. "Very few artists in Ukraine are talking about stereotypes or gender, or about what men or women should look like."

Ostravska said, consequently, the exhibition works well for the Center for Contemporary Art, whose mandate includes the need to introduce foreign art and new ideas to Ukrainians. Likewise, Westen said there was an emphasis on selecting contemporary female artists for the show, since most artists involved in contemporary art in Ukraine tend to be men.

Groundbreaking or not, all parties agree the \$40,000 Turbulence project represents the biggest presentation of contemporary Dutch art in Kyiv to date. Henry Kol, cultural attache at the Dutch Embassy, said Turbulence is happening now because relations between the Ukrainian and Dutch institutions have matured to the point where they are able to organize such a large-scale venture. Both Kol and Ostravska also pointed to the unprecedented number of Dutch corporations, like Philips Electronics, who agreed to co-sponsor Turbulence, reflecting the evolution of corporate patronage in Ukraine as well.

Turbulence opens at the Center for Contemporary Art on April 11 at 7 p.m. and runs through May 18. The exhibition will move to the Museum of Contemporary Art in Arnhem, Netherlands, where it will be on display between June 27 and Aug. 24.

THEATER

(Shows begin at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.)

National Opera (50 Volodymyrska, 234-7165) Fri 11 Taras Bulba. Sat 12 Pictures at an Exhibition. Noon. Sat 12 A Rite of Spring. Sun 13 Snow White. *Noon.* Sun 13 War and Peace. Tue 15 Roger McMurrin Symphony Orchestra. Wed 16 Lucia di Lammermour. Thu 17 Coppelia.

Drama and Comedy Theater (25 Brovarsky Prospekt,

517-1955) Fri 11 The Wedding. Sat 12 Sea...Night...Candles. 3 p.m. Sat 12 The Living Corpse. Sun 13 Who's Afraid..? 3 p.m. Sun 13 Enjoy Yourselves! Everything's Fine! Tue 15 The Audience is Forbidden to Watch the Performance. Wed 16 Silvia.

Thu 17 A Comedy about the Charm of Sin.

Ivan Franko Theater (3 Ivana Franka Ploshcha, 229-5921) Fri 11 Tevye-Tevel. Sat 12 A Tragic Comedy about the Resurrection of the

Sat 12 A Mother or Tastless Creation in Two Acts and Epilogue. Sun 13 Bremen Musicians. *Noon.* Sun 13 Master and Margarita Tue 15 Aesop.

Thu 17 Divine Loneliness.

Koleso *(8 Andriyivsky Uzviz, 416-0527)* Fri 11 Simulated Invalid. Sat 12 Miriam. Sun 13 Miriam. Thu 17 The Phantom Lady.

Kyiv Musical Theater for Children and Youth *(2 Mezhyhirska, 416-4280, 1 p.m.)* **Fri 11** How the Cossacks Tamed the Serpent. Fri 11 Obolon's Stars. 7 p.m. Sat 12 The Nutcracker. Sun 13 The Adventures of Pinocchio. Sun 13 Romeo and Juliet. 7 p.m. **Tue 8** Lady and the Tramp. **Wed 9** The Song of the Forest. **Wed 9** Rigoletto. 7 p.m. Thu 10 Thumbeli Thu 10 The Stars of Obolon. 7 p.m.

Lesya Ukrainka Theater (5 Bohdana Khmelnytskoho, 224-4223, 224-9063 Fri 11 A Sweet Liar. Sat 12 The Tower of Pisa. 4 p.m. Sat 12 Autumn Violins. Sun 13 Return to Sorrento. *4 p.m.* Sun 13 Cat on a Hot Tin Roof. Mon 14 Games in the Back Yard. *3 p.m., 6 p.m.* Tue 15 Mrs. Minister's Wife Wed 16 Divorce, Russian Style. Thu 17 The Last One Who is Deeply in Love.

Molodoy Theater (17 Prorizna, 224-6251). Fri 11 A Marriage. Sat 12 Hedda Habler. Sun 13 Mermaid. Noon. Sun 13 A Performance About the Theater. Wed 16 Marriage in Goncharivka. Thu 17 The Round Dance of Love.

Operetta Theater (*53/3 Chervonoarmiyska, 227-2630*) Fri 11 Such Jewish Happiness. Sat 12 Hollandochka. Sun 13 Mademoiselle Clo-Clo Wed 16 Bayadera. Thu 17 Silva.

Podil Theater (4 Kontraktova Ploshcha, 416-5489) Fri 11 Assemble the Word "Eternity." Sat 12 Five Stories by Pelevin. Sun 13 Five Stories by Pelevin Thu 17 The Secret of Existence

Suzirya (16 Yaroslav Val, 212-4188) Fri 11 A Letter of a Stranger. Sat 12 Parnas is Shaken. Mon 14 A Safe. Wed 16 In Baraban Alley.

Moscow Gogol Drama Theater (Zhovtnevy Palace, 1 Instytutska, 229-1582) Sat 12 Black Milk.

GALLERIES AND MUSEUMS BIANNUAL MONTH OF PHOTOGRAPHY FESTIVAL "Photo of the 80s" by Tatyana Pavlova (Ukraine). Center for Contemporary Art (2 Skovorody 238-2446) Photo Shop "Everything For Photo." (20 Pushkinska, Through April 13. 235-1294) "Turbulence." Contemporary art of the Netherlands Architects House (7 Hrinchenka, 234-7008) From April 12. "North Saga." By Illia Mezhul. Through April 20. Exhibition of cartoon cells, Through April 14 Irena (35 Artema, 244-7492) Horizon Scope" by Marek Zulkovsky (Poland). Through RA (31 Bohdana Khmelnytskoho, 235-3619) Dim Mykoly (13 Sichnevoho Povstannya, 290-7558) Archive-Museum of Ukrainian Literature and Art (22A 2'15" by Marianna Chuzhydlo. Through April 21. April 23. "12 Chairs." Objects by Polish and Ukrainian artists. Volodymirska, 228-4481) "Kyiv and Kyivites." Exhibition by Kyiv artists. *Through* Through April 18. Kolo (15 Lesi Ukrainky, 296-6978) Soviart (22A Andrivivsky Uzviz, 416-2219) 'Sleeping Beauty" by Alina Vlasova (Russia), Through Callery-36 (36 Andrivivsky Uzviz 228-2985) April 12

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National Philharmonic (2 Volodymirsky Uzviz, 228-1697) Fri 11 Zubytsky, Sivestrov. Soloist of Kyivska Kamerata National Ensemble. Valeriy Matuhin (conductor), Oles Yasko (violin). 4 p.m. Fri 11 Mahler, Schenberg, Clousak. Chamber Orchestra of the Andry	Art Center of Kostyolna (8 Kostyolna, 229-5762) "A Secret Club or Everything You Dreamed About." From April 11 through April 21.	Kyiv City Museum (8 Orlyka, 293-6071) "Kyiv's Sanctuaries." Through April 25.	SRM Fund (1 Frolovska, 238-6521) "Ukrainian Retrospective." By Mykola Babak	Gorod N (46 Volodymyrska, 235-7811) "Aesthetics of Freedom." Paintings by Oleksiy
Shtoharenko Charitable Fund. Simon Kamartin (conductor, Switzerland), Zaharia-Kamartin (violin, Switzerland). Sat 12 Kyiv Khreshchatyk Municipal Choir. Larysa Buhonska (conductor). 4 p.m. Sat 12 Kolodub, Hubarenko, Lychko, Kyiv National University of Culture and Art	Art Gallery of Mohyla Academy (9 Illyinska, 416-2154) "Stage Graphics" by Christian Carre (Belgium). From April 7.	L-Art Gallery (2B Andriyvsky Uzviz, 416-0320) "Retrospective" by Jean Dieuzaide (France). <i>Through</i> <i>April 24.</i>	(Cherkassy). From April 14. Tadzio (7 Desyatinny, apt. 2, 229-1553) "Water/Embryos" by Oleksandr Ante (Poland). Through	Paramonov. <i>Through April 20.</i> Grifon (6 Kostyolna, 464-1084) Glass art by Lydia Mytyaeva, and paintings by Tamila
academic choir. Dmytro Radyk (conductor). Tavriysky Blogovist choir. National Dance Symphony Orchestra. Sun 13 Tchaikovksy, Liatoshynsky, Saint-Saens. National Academic Symphony	Atelier Karas (22A Andriyvsky Uzviz, 238-6531) "Morning. Hangover" by Serhiy Solonin (Kharkiv). Through April 22.	M. Helman Gallery (11 Kostyolna, 229-6157) "Ten Commandments" by Yevhen Bal (Ukraine). Through April 17.	April 19. Triptych (34 Andryivsky Uzviz, 416-4453)	Moscovka and Ivanna Moscovka. <i>Through April 13.</i> "Through the Labyrinth of Subconscious." Paintings by Asror Muradov. <i>From April 15 through April 27.</i>
Orchestra of Ukraine. Volodymir Sirenko (conductor). Dumka National Academic Choir. Yevhen Savchuk (conductor). Mon 14 85th Anniversary Jubilee Concert for National University of Ukraine soloist Tamara Avetisvan.	Block A (14 Bekhterivsky Provulok, 216-3627) Oleksandr Morderer. <i>Through April 15.</i>	Maysternya (5 Artema, Central Artists House, 2nd floor, 212-0547)	"Three Dimensions" by Petro Bevza, Konstantyn Donin and Andriy Nakolchevsky. <i>From April 11</i> .	Lada (12 Horodetskoho, 229-1281) Sculptures by Ihor Grechanyk and Yuriy Bagalika.
Tue 15 Brahms Aversyan. Tue 15 Brahms. National Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra. Mykola Dyadura (conductor). Yevhen Rzhanov (piano). Wed 15 Season Music Premieres – Kyiv Soloist National Chamber Choir.	Book and Book Printing Museum (21 Sichnevoho Poystannya, 290-6623)	"Landscapes" by Volodymyr Ohloblin (Kharkiv, Ukraine). <i>Through April 18.</i> "Panorama" by Volodymyr Bysov (Kharkiv). <i>Through</i>	University Gallery (60 Volodymirska, 239-3433) "Shades of Unforgettable Ancestors" by Mykola Prahov (Kyiv). <i>Through April 17</i> .	Through April 15. National Academy of Art (20, Smirnova-Lastochkina, 212-10-26)
Bogodar Kotorovitch (conductor). Eduard Yidelchuk (violin, Finland), June Mazuoke (piano, Japan). Fri 17 (through May 2) 5th International Horowitz Competition of Young Pianists.	"Latvian Photography of the 70s-90s." <i>Through April 17.</i> Cultural Heritage Museum (40B Moskovska, 290-6418)	April 18. National Fine Arts Museum of Ukraine (6 Hrushevskoho. 228-7454)	OTHER EXHIBITIONS Antique Center (3 Andriyvsky Uzviz, 416-2254)	Paintings by Yuriy Khymych. <i>From April 14.</i> Nile (10 Kostyolna, 228-7697)
Andriyivska Church (23 Andriyivsky Uzviz, 228-5861, concerts begin at 7:30 p.m.)	"A Look From Above" by Volodymyr Bysov. <i>Through</i> April 24.	"New Focus: Germany 1989-2000" by Regina Schmeken (Germany). <i>Through April 20.</i>	Paintings and graphics by Oleskandr Budnikov. Through April 30.	"Renovated Earth." Graphics and video by Vitaly Karpenko. <i>Through April 30.</i>
Fri 11 Albinoni, Handel, Bach, Rameau, Leclair. Renaissance Symphony Choir. Maryna Kuchma (violin), Yevhen Smaltsuha (flute), Natalia Fomenko (harpsichord).	Dim Mykoly (13 Sichnevoho Povstannya, 290-7558) Oleksandr Hliadelov. <i>Through April 21</i> .	National Union of Artists of Ukraine (1/5 Artema, 212-0535) "Renunciation of Art" by Volodymir Fillipov (Kharkiv,	Architects House (7 Hrinchenka, 234-7008) Caricatures by members of the Union of Caricature Artists. <i>Through April 20</i> .	Soviart (22A Andriyivsky Uzviz, 416-2219) "Canonization." Photos and video by Oksana Chepelyk. Through April 14.
Sat 12 Bach, Veniavksy, Dvorak, Scoryk, Havrylets, Liszt, Piazzola, Glier, Rachmaninov, Kreisler, Vietan, Williams. U-Trio. Ostap Shutka (violin), Olha Kryvtsova (cello), Yulia Frants (piano). Sun 13 Beethoven, Liszt, Cherni. Piano duet: Oleksandra Zaitseva, Dmyatro	The French Institute (104, Gorkoho, 269-4157) "Timeless Ukraine: A French View of Ukraine" by Cyril Horiszny (France). <i>Through April 25</i> .	Ukraine). <i>Through April 17.</i> One Street Museum (2B Andriyivsky Uzviz, 416-0398)	Bohdan and Varvara Khanenko Museum (15/17 Tereshenkivska, 235-3290)	Taras Shevchenko National Museum (12 Tarasa Shevchenko, 224-2556)
Tavanets. Yulia Frants (piano).	Honchary (10A Andrivivsky Uzviz, 416-4093)	"City Which Doesn't Exist." Kyiv photos of the 30s-50s by unknown artists. <i>From April 11.</i>	"Female Portrait." Paintings by Western European artists from the museum's collection. <i>Through May 10.</i>	"300 years of Ukrainian Petersburg." Photos by Tatiana Lebedinska and Petro Tarasenko. <i>Through April 22.</i>

DAY

MOVIES Kyiv cinemas often change their schedules without notice. Readers are advised to confirm listed times by telephone. Films are shown in Russian or Ukrainian unless otherwise noted.

because he already knows what he wants, and can even speak and walk. His mother FRENCH FILM FESTIVAL tells him how an evil sorceress has dried (At Ukraina Cinema)

CEUX QUI M'AIMENT PRENDRONT LE TRAIN (THOSE WHO LOVE ME CAN TAKE THE TRAIN)

112 min. Drama, France, 1998. Directed by Patrice Chereau. Starring Pascal Greggory, Valeria Bruni, Tedeschi, Charles Berling, Jean-Louis Trintignant, Bruno Todeschini

Charismatic artist and teacher Jean-Baptiste before dying has asked to be buried in the provincial city of Limoges, saying, "those who love me can take the train." And so they did: lovers, old friends, casual acquaintances, and relatives

April 11 (12:30 p.m.) April 14 (7 p.m. and 10 p.m.)

COMMENT J'AI TUE MON PERE (HOW I KILLED MY FATHER) 98 min. Drama, France, Spain, 2001. Directed by Anne Fontaine. Starring Michel Bouquet, Charles Berling, Natacha Regnier, Amira Casar, Stephane

Guillon, Hubert Kounde, Karole Rocher, Jean-Luc is an established gerontologist who runs a private clinic specializing in anti-aging treatments. His well provided life gets broken his father suddenly reappears, back after a long exile. He moves into his son's home for several

days, phlegmatically observing everything

with sacrastic smile and cruel objectivity.

April 11 (7 p.m. and 10 p.m.)

TANGUY

108 min. Comedy, France, 2001. Directed by Etienne Chatiliez Starring Sabine Azema, Andre Dussollier, Eric Berger, Helene Duc, Aurore Clement, Jean-Paul Rouve, Andre Wilms, Richard Guedj.

Director Chatiliez chose to broach a social phenomenon in a comedic tone: young adults who stay more and longer with their parents. But his movie is far from reality: these adults stay with their parents because they've got either financial or psychological problems.

April 12 (12:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 10 p.m.)

KIRIKOU ET LA SORCIERE (KIRIKOU AND THE SORCERESS) 74 min

Animation, France, Belgium, Luxembourg, 1998. Directed by Michel Ocelot. Starring (voice) Antoinette Kellermann, Fezele Mpeka, Kombisile Sangweni, Theo Sebeko, Mabutho 'Kid' Sithole.

In a little village in Africa, a boy named Kirikou is born. He's not a normal boy,

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up their spring and devoured all males in the village except one. Hence little Kirikou decides that he will accompany the last warrior to the sorceress.

April 13 (12:30 p.m.)

COMEDIE DE L'INNOCENCE (SON OF TWO MOTHERS OR THE COMEDY OF INNOCENCE) 100 min.

Drama, France, 2000. Directed by Raoul Ruiz. Starring Isabelle Huppert, Jeanne Balibar, Charles Berling, Edith Scob, Nils Hugon, Denis Podalydes, Laure de Clermont-Tonnerre, Chantal Bronner, Bruno Marengo

Camille had sworn that on his 9th birthday he would show his parents the videos he was shooting on the side – the tail of a cat scampering away, a window, and a veiled woman's face. Later that day, Camille's mother, Ariane, meets up with her son in the park, finding him perturbed. He says that now he wants to return to his "real home" and his "real mother."

> April 13 (7 p.m., 10 p.m.) April 14 (1:30 p.m.)

LA CLASSE DE NEIGE (CLASS TRIP)

96 min. Drama, France, 1998. Directed by Claude Miller. Starring Clement van den Bergh, Lokman Nalcakan, Francois Roy, Yves Verhoeven, Emmanuelle Bercot, Tina Sportolaro, Yves Jacques, Chantal Banlier.

Nicolas has an over-protective father who will not allow his son to ride on the school bus on their holiday excursion to the mountains, explaining that there are criminals around who kidnap children. Nicolas, being a sensitive child, elaborates on his father's fears and has nightmares. Nicolas confides to his friend Hodkann.

April 15 (12:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 10 p.m.)

LA CHAMBRE DES **OFFICIERS (OFFICER'S** WARD)

135 min. Drama, France, 2001. Directed by Francois Dupeyron. Starring Eric Caravaca, Denis Podalydes, Gregori Derangere, Sabine Azema, Andre Dussollier, Isabelle Renauld, Geraldine Pailhas, Jean-Michel Portal, Guy Trejan, Catherine Arditi.

In the first days of WWI, Adrien, a young and handsome lieutenant, is wounded by a piece of shrapnel. He will spend the rest of the war at the Val-de-Grace Hospital, in Paris. There he meets and befriends several other individuals who have suffered the same fate, and the film concentrates on the way that each comes to terms with their situation.

PREMIERES

April 16 (12:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 10 p.m.)

CONONFESSIONS OF A DANGEROUS MIND 113 min. Action, crime, USA, Canada, Germany,

2002. Directed by George Clooney. Starring Sam Rockwell, George Clooney, Drew Barrymore, Julia Roberts, Rutger Hauer, Maggie Gyllenhaal, David Julian Hirsh.

Television made him famous, but his biggest hits happened off screen. "Confessions of a Dangerous Mind" is the story of a legendary showman's double life télevision producer by day, CIA assassin by night.

Butterfly From April 17. Kyiv From April 17. Ukraine Cinema From April 17. Kyivska Rus From April 17 through April 23.

DARKNESS 102 min

Horror, USA, Spain, 2002. Directed by Jaume Balaguero. Starring Anna Paquin, Lena Olin, Iain Glen, Giancarlo Giannini, Fele Martine.

A teenage girl moves into a remote countryside house with her family, only to discover that their gloomy new home has a horrifying past that threatens to destroy the family. Butterfly From April 17.

Kyiv From April 17. Kyivska Rus From April 17 through April 23.

UNGUING

TAXI 3

84 min. Action, France, 2003. Directed by Gerard Krawczyk. Starring Samy Naceri, Frederic Diefenthal, Bernard Farcy, Emma Sjoberg.

> Kyiv Through April 16. Ukraine Cinema Through April 17. Butterfly Through April 23. Kyivska Rus Through April 23.

JOHNNY ENGLISH

Comedv. UK. 2003. Directed by Peter Howitt. Starring Rowan Atkinson, John Malkovich, Natalie Imbruglia, Ben Miller. ENGLISH SCREENING AT KYIV: APRIL 11 THROUGH APRIL 16

> Kino Palace, April 11. Kyiv Through April 16. Butterfly Through April 23. Kino Palace Through April 23. Kyivska Rus Through April 23

WHITE OLEANDER

110 min. Drama, USA, Germany, 2002. Directed by Peter Kosminsky. Starring Amy Aquino, John Billingsley, Elisa Bocanegra, Darlene Bohorquez, Solomon Burke Jr., Scott Allan Campbell.

Kyiv Through April 16.

watching cartoons and films for Kids and practicing English with British native speaker. Hr 10 for a 2-hour session. For more information call Alex at 234-08-71, e-mail: Kids-English-Club@etcentre.com.ua or visit www.etcentre.con.ua

EXPRESS YOURSELF Conversation Club invites you to polish your English with native-speakers. Every Saturday at noon. Free only in April. Call our language centre to register. Tel. 227-0782. Sunday English Club meets at 2.00 p.m. on Sundays for

The Open Door Theatre has started its new musical project For details call Joe Bearden 410-1791 or Nikolay Karpan 578-2375, e-mail opendoortheatre2003@yahoo.com or nick1955@bigmir.net or visit http://odt2003.narod.ru.

Swing Dance Club at Step-by-Step Club (14 Khreshchatyk). The entrance fee is Hr 10. Dance lessons are on Sundays. For information call 467-6039, e-mail info@swingdance.kiev.ua

No Good Deed (USA, Germany) Druzhba Through April 14

CINEMAS

Butterfly 6 Chervonykh Kozakiv (Petrivka metro). Tel. 531-3977. Tickets Hr 12 to Hr 30.

Druzhba 25 Khreshchatyk (Khreshchatyk metro). Tel. 228-1849 Tickets Hr 18

Kino Palace 1 Instytutska (Maidan Nezalezh'ti metro). Tel. 228-7223 Tickets Hr 10 to Hr 38.

Kinopanorama 19 Shota Rustaveli (Sports Palace metro). Tel. 227-1135. Tickets Hr 6 to Hr 18.

Ploshcha Lva Tolstoho (L. Tolstoho metro). Tel. 201-0101, 221-0881. Tickets Hr 20 to Hr 35.

Kyivska Rus 93 Artema (Lukyanivska metro). Tel. 216-7474. Tickets Hr 6 to Hr 12.

Ukraina Cinema 5 Horodetskoho (Khreshchatyk metro). Tel. 229-6301. Tickets Hr 15 to Hr 45.

Zhovten 26 Kostyantynivska (Kontraktova Pl. metro) Tel. 417-3004. Tickets Hr 10 to Hr 18.

*Note: All movie reviews have been taken from www.imdb.com.

more information, contact Pastor Tom Ragsdell at 451-2677 or tragsdell@ets.relc.com, or Thodor Pozniy at 563-5845 or susador@svitonline.com, or www.ica-kiev.com.

Word of God Church

Word of God Church Word of God Church Easter series "To the Cross and Beyond". April 13 – Upper Room, Gethsemane; April 20 – The Cross; April 27 – Resurrection. Address: 5A Milchakova (metro Livoberezhna); beginning is at 11 a.m. For children we have nursery and Sunday school. Come and bring your friends! Call 12 conc 516-8205.

Butterfly Through April 16. Kyivska Rus Through April 16. Kino Palace Through April 23. Treasure Planet (USA) Butterfly Through April 16 HOURS Ghost Ship (USA) 114 min. Kinopanorama Through April 24. Drama, USA, 2002. Directed by Stephen Daldry. Equilibrium (USA) Starring Nicole Kidman, Julianne Moore, Meryl Streep, Stephen Dillane, Miranda Richardson, Kinopanorama Through April 17. George Loftus, Charley Ramm. Daredevil (USA) Druzhba Through April 17. Butterfly Through April 16. Kyiv Through April 16. Talk to Her (Spain) Ukraine Cinema Through April 17. Druzhba From April 11 ANALYZE THAT Maid From Manhattan (USA) 95 min Druzhba Through April 28. Comedy, USA, 2002. Directed by Harold Ramis. Frida (USA) Starring Robert De Niro, Billy Crystal, Lisa Druzhba Through April 21. Kudrow, Joe Viterelli, Cathy Moriarty.

"Confessions of a Dangerous Mind."

Starring Rebecca Lin, Rob Schneider, Rachel

McAdams, Anna Faris, Matthew Lawrence

нот сніск

Comedy, USA, 2002.

Directed by Tom Brady

101 min.

GANGS OF NEW YORK

Reilly, Henry Thomas, Liam Neeson).

Kyivska Rus Through April 16. Butterfly Through April 16. Ukraine Cinema Through April 17. Kinopanorama From April 18 through May 1.

Lewis, Cameron Diaz, Jim Broadbent, John C.

116 min.

Drama, USA, Germany, Italy, UK, Netherlands, 2002. Directed by Martin Scorsese Starring Leonardo DiCaprio, Daniel Day-

I'm with Lucy (USA)

More Ants in the Pants (Germany) Druzhba Through April 24.

"Dangerous" Sam Rockwell and tender Drew Barrymore star in George Clooney`s directing debut

Kino Palace Through April 16.

Kyivska Rus Through April 16.

Ukraine Cinema Through April 17

OTHER FILMS

The Dwarf's Nose (Russia) Druzhba Through April 17.

The Ring (USA, Japan) Druzhba Through April 14.

8 Mile (USA) Druzhba From April 15 through April 28.

Druzhba Through April 14.

The International Amateur Musicians Club invites the public and amateur musicians with their instruments to its weekly iam sessions on Sunday nights from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Location is Alisar Bar 54 Volodymyrska, across from the Teacher's House. The atmosphere is friendly, the admission is free, and the beer is cheap. For further details, contact Vladimir Sitkin at sitkinv@hotmail.com or 475-7879.

The Kyiv Lions Club is an international volunteer organization that raises funds and provides services to help those in need, including orphans, invalids and ill children. The Lions meet the second Tuesday of every month at Golden Gate restaurant at 7:15 p.m. For information contact Roy Gregory at 269-6315.

Rotaract is an international organization of service clubs for men and women aged 18-30 that fosters leadership and responsible citizenship, promotes international understa and peace. For more information contact Lisa Kalinichenko at 570-5326, e-mail stm2002@ukr.net or Katerina Zalesna 213-7028, 213-5587, e-mail zalesna@ukr.net, kiev@rotaract.org.

BUSINESS CLUBS

Business club "Kyiv - the Netherlands" invites you to regular meetings every 1st Thursday of each month (except August). Please contact us for invitation at tel./fax 269-6266, e-mail at info@ukraine-holland.org.ua or visit our Web site http://ukraine-holland.org.ua.

The Canadian Business Club meets monthly at the Canadian Embassy, 31 Yaroslaviy Val, All active Canadian business neonle or visitors are welcome for coffee, networking and ntations. For further information contact the Commercial Section at 464-1144 or e-mail kviv-td@dfait-maeci.gc.ca.

information, call Alex at 234-0871, e-mail: business@etcentre.com.ua or visit www.etcentre.com.ua.

The A.B.C. Center Business Club is intended for English

speaking businessmen and led by a native speaker Saturdays at 10 a.m. The cost is \$24 for four sessions or \$8 per visit. For details please call us at 239-1091/92 or e-mail abc-

The Business-English Center meets at 6:30 p.m. on Fridays

and at 2:00 p.m. on Sundays for a series of business English skills workshops; Discussions are led by experienced native teachers of English. Hr 15 for a two-hour session. For more

FNGLISH CLUBS

info@intelecom net ua

The **English Discussion Club** at Kyiv National Economic University (54/1 Peremohy Prospekt) welcomes new members to take part. The EDC meets every other Friday in room 317 at 4 p.m. to discuss current events in Ukraine. For more information contact EDC President Jane Kashparova at 456-2404 or by e-mail at EDC@ukr.net.

The Kyiv Post International Club meets three Thursdays per month. The sessions include analysis and discussion of texts, development of comprehension skills, group discussions and grammar activities. Qualified native-speaking teachers lead meetings, Stoned Baboon (39 Bohdana Khmelnytskoho), For more information call 235-5980 or 224-1503 or e-mail Polina at polina@fruktopia.com.

The Kiev American Club meets Sundays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Improve your conversation and communication skills. We discuss a wide range of unique and controversial subjects. Qualified U.S. English teachers conduct meetings. Admission: one drink. Address: Cafe-restaurant Shapito at 77 Olesva Honchara (near the Circus). For information call 216-4521.

The Kiev Toastcrackers Toastmasters Club invites people of all ages and professions to master and develop their public speaking and leadership skills. Become an international club network member! Join us every Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Kyiv House of Scientists, 45A Volodymyrska. For more information e mail Denis Dorosh at toastcrackers@mail.ru.

The Kids English Club meets at 1.00 p.m. on Saturdays for

discussing various topics and practicing in TOEFL-test. Discussions are led by a qualified and experienced native English teacher. Hr 15 for a two-hour session. For more information contact Alex at 234-0871, happytoefl@etcentre.com.ua. or www.etcentre.com.ua.

OTHER LANGUAGE CLURS

Come and learn or improve your Spanish! The **28th Parallel** Intercultural Center offers Latino dancing courses and we also maintain a Spanish-language library including videotapes and CDs. Visit us at School No. 64, 32 Ushinskoho Tel. 243-0621. Marschrutka #8 from Ploschad Lva Tolstoho. www.intercultural.kiev.ua; Internet e-mail: hispano@iptelecom.net.ua.

The Plauderclub German-language discussion group, sponsored by the Goethe Institute, meets twice weekly to discuss topics ranging from politics and economy to culture for those interested in wishing to improve their knowledge of German and communication skills. For details and to register, visit http://plauderclub.narod.ru.

The A.B.C. Center German and French Conversation Clubs meet Saturdays accordingly at 11 a.m. and noon – and are led by a native speaker. The cost is \$20 for four sessions or \$7 per

visit. For more information please call 239-1091/92 or e-mail abc-info@iptelecom.net.ua.

BOOK EXCHANGE

Stoned Baboon bar is also operating as an English-language bookstore and book and video exchange. Swap your used books and videos for other used ones or toward the cost of new ones. 39 Bohdana Khmelnytskoho. For more information, call 224-1503. e-mail friends@fruktopia.com or see

or check out www.swingdance.kiev.ua

www.fruktopia.com

MUSIC/ARTS CLUBS

The Acting Skills Club meets at 12 p.m. on Sundays for Acting Skills training session. The sessions are focused on perfecting English skills and are led by experienced native Trainers. Hr 15 for a 90 minutes session. For more information, call Eddie at 234-0871, e-mail: eddie_ch@ukr.net or www.pbase.com/alex_krit/howto. visit

PHILOSOPHY, PSYCHOLOGY AND HEALTH CLUBS

Kiev Hash House Harriers (KH3) meets at 2 p.m. every other Sunday at Eric's Bierstube, 20 Chervonoarmiska, Questions? Contact Grandmaster Bruce (e-mail: bruce@bdwoolman.net) or go to www.bdwoolman.net/khhh.htm for the run schedule.

The Kamerton Practical Psychology Club represents individual and corporative psychological trainings and seminars, (sales, mission, creation of command, working with enterprise conflicts, effective management, clients, communication skills, how to become a leader, technology of success, family relations, etc.), Call 519-6708, 519-0679, visit www.kamerton.kiev.ua, or e-mail: club@kamerton.kiev.ua.

SUPPORT GROUPS

English-speaking meeting of **Alcoholics Anonymous** meets on Saturdays at 10:30 AM at 17 Kostyolna, (the small house behind #15). For information call John at 8-067-503-4068.

RELIGION International Christian Assembly

All are invited for English-language services with Pastor Jerry Sturgeon on Sundays at 10 a.m. at 4 M. Hrushevskoho, 2nd

floor (near European Square, to the left of the Dnipro Hotel). For

Union for Progressive Jewish Congregations of Ukraine All are welcomed to "Kabbalat Shabbat" service every Friday at 7 p.m., at the communal center at 10V Pirohova. Services are held in Hebrew and Russian with English commentaries Shabbat morning service (11 a.m.). Torah reading and commentaries for the weekly Torah portion (Saturdays at 2 p.m.). Call 531-9197/98, e-mail kcpi@hatikva.kiev.ua, or visit www.judaism.org.ua.

St. Catherine's German Evangelical Lutheran Parish.

All are invited to services Sundays at 10 a.m. and Monday-Saturday at 6 p.m. at 22 Luteranska. The children's choir meets Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. with the children's service following at 4 p.m. All activities (including the choir, women's group, Bible discussion and children's dance group) are in German and Russian. For more information, call 253-6319.

Christ Church (Anglican)

All are invited to service at 3 p.m. at St. Catherine's Lutheran Church on 22 Luteranska. For more information. call Minister Jonathan Frais at 229-7458

The Preshvterian Church of the Holy Trinity

All are invited to our service held in Ukrainian and Russian with simultaneous English translation every Sunday at 50/52 Shevchenko in room 402. For more information, call 234-3571 234-0794 or e-mail cht@ukrpack.net.

St. Alexander's Catholic Parish

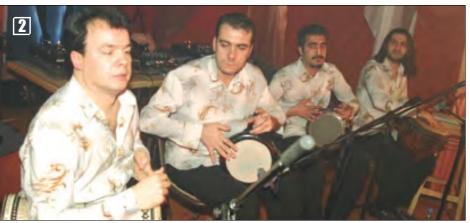
Holy mass in English every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and Sacred Scripture on Fridays at 7 p.m. English-speaking priest available. Tel. 295-0947.

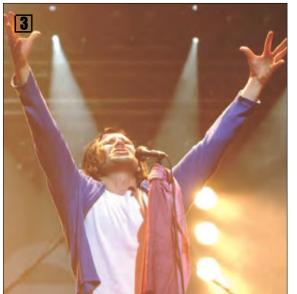
DAY (NIGHT



Sashko knows the reality away from the stage











(1): Okean Elzy's Syvatoslay Vakarchuk, right, and guitarist Pavlo Khudimov start the rocking in the free world (i.e. Ukraine) at the Sports Palace on Apr. 3. (2): The Harem drum quartet from Turkey slapped some skin at Opium's Turkish Delights party on Apr. 5. (3): At times, Vakarchuk seemed super-symmetric.

(4): Angelic Alyona Vinnitskaya was beaming at the Cool Before press conference at Formula on Apr. 5. (5): Sashko Polozhynsky of Tartak talked about the one that got away at the Dymna Sumish concert Apr. 5. (Post photos by Dima Gavrish, Andry Porokhnenko and Oleksy Boyko)

Here is the ancient recipe for Peking Duck



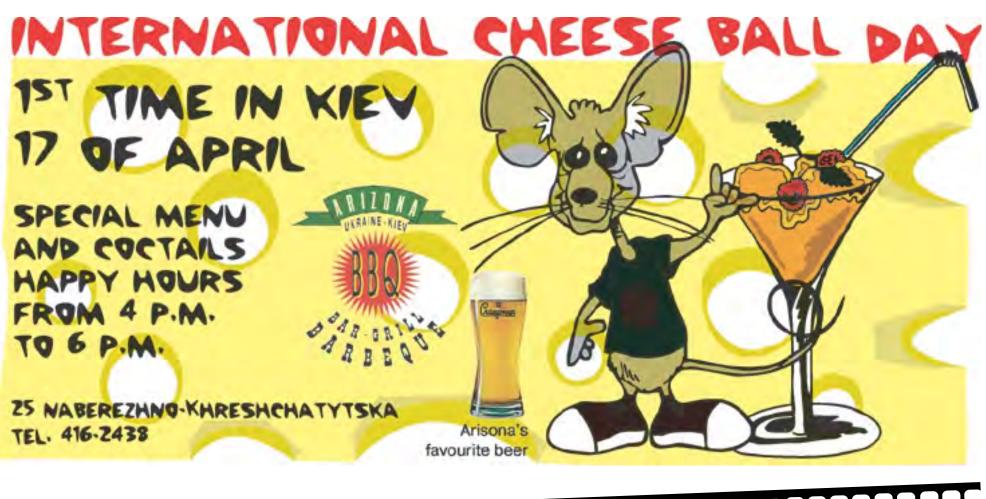


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If, however, you are not in a position to cook the duck in strict accordance with the above recipe, you can always rely on us to do so ... Felite chinese restaurant 26 B. Khmelnitskogo str., tel. 229 81 91







С Афиша Maestro card дешевле!



СУПЕРАКЦИЯ! Для самых азартных игроков казино: "Автомобиль MINI ONE за 6 часов" Начало в 18.00 - финальный розыгрыш автомобиля MINLONE - розыгрыш призов и бонусных фишек;







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CITY GUIDE

TENNIS (Indoor)

Nauka Tennis Club

32

courts.

Akademy

(Svyatoshyn district).

Hr 65, Hr 100 daytime.

weekends (Terraflex only).

Reservations: 444-3581.

Central Tennis Courts

Chervonoarmiyska).

Hr 50 to Hr 100 per hour.

Reservations: 268-7203.

3 parquet courts.

Antei Tennis Club

Hr 100 per hour.

3 parquet courts.

Hr 70 per hour

Meridian

Olymp

near Temp Stadium). 1 indoor hard court.

Reservations: 444-7309.

1V Heroyiv Sevastopolya.

Hr 80 to Hr 100 per hour. Reservations: 457-8843.

11 Kulibina (Nivky metro). 1 parquet court.

Reservations: 442-8102

Institute of Civil Aviation.

1 Kosmonata Komarova.

http://vertical.kiev.ua.

Darnitsa.

12 Hospitalna.

Tel. 294-3058

Nadia Sauna

15 Reytarska

WALL-CLIMBING

Vertical Club Climbing Wall Gym

IMPORTANT NUMBERS Fire: 01

Police: 02.

Ambulance Services Medicom: 0-55; 234-0303; 432-8888: 488-0303. Boris: 238-0000. City Ambulance: 03.

Natural gas emergency service: 04.

Rescue service 295-2447/290-9442

Water, electric, and sewage systems emergency service: 057.

Elevator emergency service: 086.

Water supply networks emergency service: 081.

"Kyivenergo" emergency service: 088

SPORTS

BOWLING

Maximum 12/37 Dekabrystiv. Tel. 562-6282.

Mirage 37/41 Artema. Tel. 461-9087.

Strike Bowling Club 84 Peremohy Prospekt. Tel. 442-6464.

BASKETBALL

3/9 Turgenivska. Every Sat. at 11:30 a.m. Contact: Mark Senyk at 246-4472 or msenyk@agl-media.com.

HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

O'Brien's Pub. Every other Sun. at 2 p.m. Contact: Hash Master Alan Robidoux at alanrobidoux@hotmail.com.

GO-KARTING

Utyugi 18 Metallistov. Tel. 446-1248.

ICE RINKS

Atek 20 Chystyakivska (Svyatoshyn metro). Tel. 442-7117. Open skating hours: Tue., Thu., Fri. 7 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m. Sat., Sun. 12:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Left Bank). Tel. 543-9849. Open skating hours:

Fri. 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Sat. 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. Sun. 1:15 p.m. - 9 p.m. Entrance: Hr 7 (per hour) Skate rental: Hr 3. Rink can be rented for private events. Prices from Hr 100 per hour. Call to reserve rink.

Sokil Ice Palace.

46 Melnvkova Tel. 213-1141 No free skating. Sokil Kyiv home games open to spectators; call for schedule. Pick-up hockey possible some evenings.

ICESURFING

Mistral Windsurfing Club Kyiv Sea (stretch of the Dnipro near Vyshgorod, north of Kyiv, known as the Kviv Sea). Tel. 578-0578.

PAINTBALL

Pushcha Vodytsa 9 Horodetskhoho. Tel. 564-9928.

Nauka 9 Vernadskoho Tel. 269-7776, 251-7744.

SHOOTING

Dynamo Kyiv Shooting Range 4 Kurska. Tel. 276-8174

ULTIMATE FRISBEE **Bouldering Gym** (Indoor) 32/2 Stroyteley.

Institute of Physical Culture (Shares entrance with Express Pizza near Olympic Stadium). Tue: 9:30 p.m. Contact: Misha Babenko (mbabenko@usaid.gov).

SKIING

Protasiv Yar ski hill 23A Protasiv Yar

SKI SUPPLY

SHOPS

Altima

Protoka

19A Khreshchatyk.

Tel. 490-2913.

5 Entuziastiv.

Tel. 555-1672

Sport and Tourism

Parkova 1A. Borodianka

Tel. (277) 5-25-73, 5-27-69, 5-12-86.

SWIMMING POOLS

(Indoor)

28 Lesi Ukrainky.

Tel. 296-6818.

Borodianka

and Sauna Complex 38 Urytskoho.

Telbin

Troitski Banyas 66 Velyka Vasylkivska.

Tsentralni Banya and Sauna Complex

> Tel. 228-0102 FITNESS CLUBS

Aquarium Fitness Center

45 Heroyiv Stalinhradu.

Tel. 239-2222.

Favorite

6 Muzeyny.

Tel. 228-3338.

Kyiv Sports Club

Tel. 252-8866

Tel. 244-1239

3 Hrushevskoho.

Tel. 229-0101.

9 Predslavinska

Tel. 252-8784.

Kodokan

Argo

5 Druzhby Narodiv

Premier Palace Fitness Center

5-7/29 Tarasa Shevchenka.



Did we mention how much fun it can be to play outside in Kyiv's many parks and fields in the wintertime? (Post file photo)

Cyber Gym 50B Bohdana Khmelnytskoho. Tel. 223-7071. **Miss Fitness**

15A Basevna. Tel. 235-9339.

Olymp 10 Dmitrova. Tel. 227-6149.

Planeta Fitness 10 Kropyvnytskoho. Tel. 254-6200/1.

PURLIC SAUNAS Vasil Gym 48 Melnykova. Manhattan Sauna Complex

Tel. 462-0788. Solomenka Banva

Tel. 244-0198.

3 Shumskoho Yuriya. Tel. 550-8155.

Tel. 227-4068.

3 Mala Zhytomyrska.

roof homes, wooden churches and windmills from different regions of Ukraine. Take Peremony

Pyrohova

(2 hours). Feofaniya Home of St. Panteleymon, once

the crowning jewel of a vast expanse of land owned by the Ukrainian Orthodox Church. Located in the farthest outreaches of southwest Kyiv. Take bus or minivan 63 from Lybydska Ploshcha.

the Kyiv-Kharkiv Avtolux

Poltava

Site of the famous Battle of Poltava waged by Russian Czar Peter the Great against the Swedes. Take the overnight train or Kyiv-Kharkiv Avtolux bus.

KID PARKS, AMUSEMENT PARKS

AND ZOOS

Botanical Garden 1 Kominternu. Tel. 224-6056.

Central Botanical Garden 1 Tymyrazivska.

Tel. 294-9517. Central Park 2 Volodvmvrska.

Tel. 228-3092. Holosivvsky Recreation Park 87 40-Richnya Zhovtnya prospekt.

Hydropark

Tel. 230-2574, 224-7508

Dinternal Books 2B Museyny. Tel. 228-1362.

Eurobook Service 4/8 Komandarma Kamenveva. Tel. 295-6306.

Folio 35 Politekhnichna, korp. 9. Tel. 241-8412.

Knygolub 31 Ivana Kudri. Tel. 269-1051.

Knyharnya 5 Moskovska.



Underground passage at Ploshchy Slavy. Tel. 254-5009.

Mystetstvo Bookstore 24 Khreshchatyk Tel. 228-3668.

Nadiya 20 Chokolivsky Tel. 242-5045.

Naukova Dumka 4 Hrusheskoho. Tel. 228-0696

Orfey 6 Chervonykh Kozakiv

VAN RENTAL Avis

4 Kamyshinska. Tel. 490-9841.

Europcar 48A Gorkoho. Tel. 238-2691

Hertz 4 Muzevny Tel. 531-9999.

Bal 12 Kniazha Zhatom. Tel. 570-4913.

Domino 66 Bohdana Khmelnytskoho, 2. Tel. 234-6292.

Sun Service 10 Proletarska. Tel. 264-5941.

OUTDOOR MARKETS

Baby Market Darnytsya metro, next to Children's World.

Radio Market Chokolivsky-Karavayevi Dachi bus stop.

Automobile Market Perova (across from Avrora Cinema).

Chapayevka Auto Market

Wellness Center (Dnipro Hotel) 1/2 Khreshchatvk. Tel. 291-8450, 229-8591.



Pereyaslav-Khmelnytsky. Museum chronicling the times of the Cossacks. Located about 100 kilometers southeast of Kviv on the Left Bank of the Dnipro. Take Kaniv-Kyiv hydrofoil.

Outdoor museum with thatched-

Tel. 213-0800. Viktoria 2 Georgiyivsky. Tel. 228-7144.

Entrance: Hr 7 (Tue.-Wed.); Hr 9 (Fri. to Sun.).

details.

Skate rental: Hr 9 (Hr 10 on weekends) plus security deposit of Hr 450 or passport/driver's license.

Olymp

Kryzhynka rink at Olympic Sports 10 Demitrova. Complex

55A Chervonoarmiyska (located behind Olympic stadium, 100 meters up the hill from Asahi restaurant). Tel. 246-7425. Open skating: Sun. only (Times vary; call to confirm). Entrance: Hr 20 per hour. Skate rental: Hr 5 (plus security deposit) Open pick-up hockey available most evenings starting at 11 p.m. Youth leagues: Call or ask rink

Pershotravnevv 17 Kurska. Tel. 243-0124. manager German Germanovich for

Spartak 105 Frunze.

Tel. 468-6961.

Kryzhynka rink on Left Bank 7 Zhmachenko (Darnytsa metro on Yunist 7 Bastionna. Tel. 295-2122

Delfin

Tel. 227-6149.

120 Richya Zhovtnya Prospekt Tel. 261-3256.

Prospekt south (25-minute drive)

Trypillia Site of an ancient settlement dating back 5,000 years. Take daily train to Myroniyka or Kaniy bus.

An 18th-century park in Cherkassy Oblast, located 200 km south of Kyiv. Take Kyiv-Odessa Avotlux bus (3 hours).

Chernihiv

The city of churches is one of the oldest Slavic settlements in this area located 140 km northeast of Kyiv. Take mini-bus from Kyiv's main bus station (2 hours).

Lubny

Uman

Military base protecting Kyiv against Tartar expansion, located 200 km southeast of Kyiv. Take

Hydropark metro. Tel. 517-1492.

Tel. 263-7070.

Kurenivsky Recreation Park 134 Frunze. Tel. 468-3026.

Nvvkv Park

82 Peremohy Prospekt. Tel. 456-4331. Peremoha Park 2 Perova

Tel. 559-9962.

Zoo 32 Peremohy Prospekt. Tel. 274-6054.

BOOKS

Bukva 11/61 Lva Tolstoho

Tel. 490-3566. 6 Chervonoarmiyska. Tel. 224-5045. Globus Shopping Complex Tel. 238-5941. Metrograd Shopping Complex Tel. 247-5615.

Petrivka book bazaar

Located one block from Petrivka metro.

Rusana

10 Rusanivska Naberezhna. Tel. 555-5771.

Stoned Baboon

39 Bohdana Khmelnytskoho. Tel. 224-1503.

Summit-Book

7 Naberezhna-Luhova. Tel. 463-6815.

Lybidska metro.

Home Appliance Market

Velyka Okruzhna (the terminal of Tram No. 3).

Fishing Market

Near Dnipro metro.

Wedding Market

Troyeschyna Market (near main entrance, to the left).

Book Market

Petrivka metro.

Pet Market

Kurenivka (Trolley or Minibus No. 18 from Maidan Nezhalezhnosti to Ptashyny Rynok stop).

Spice Market

Volodymyrska Market (Ukraine Palace metro).

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Best of Team wigs out of winter and into warm sheets

Asked where to buy household budget. goods, an average Ukrainian will invariably answer: "At the market." While the Best Of team appreciates an opportunity to bargain and win a Hr 5 discount, we feel the need to balance that benefit against the confusion, frozen extremities and dirty shoes that go with **BESI OF** stomping around outdoor markets. Cold weather shopping for bedding and linens is more closely akin to a group suicide

attempt than a chance to enjoy fresh air. We nixed the outdoor factor. The first place we sought out fresh sheets and pillowcases was the

Globus shopping center. We didn't expect to find much in a mall oriented toward clothing, but were pleasantly surprised to spot a modest store with a straightforward name: Linens. The small shop offers brandname Turkish linens but the selection didn't impress anyone. When asked for a few specific patterns, the amicable shop assistant suggested visiting the company's main store just up the street near the Ukraina Cinema on Horodetskoho.

One look inside the flagship store told us that the place could easily end the Best Of team's hunt for boudoir basics. The store has 15 shelves of serious adult bed sets ranging from unassuming country-style floral patterns to the jazzy abstract patterns that made team members wish there were more bedrooms at home to decorate.

Popular children's themes at Linens included the ageless Mickey Mouse through current hero Harry Potter. Add to this bed sets for infants, all sorts of towels, blankets,

The Best Of team was about to buy a solid lilac sheet (Hr 72) and matching pillowcases (Hr 26 for two) when we discovered that our Ukrainianstyle square pillows (50 cm by 50

cm) would not fit into the extended pillowcases (20 cm wider) used by the rest of the world. The shop assistant was quick to dispel our disappointment, telling us that the shop

offers a sewing service. For Hr 20, the chosen linens will be fit to size. If not for the rather meager variety and selection of fabrics, the team would most definitely have stopped the search right here. Linens has also opened a shop in the plush new Mandarin Plaza shopping center.

TsUM, the granddad of Kyiv department stores, often more resembles a display case then a shopping venue. TsUM is trying – albeit slowly - to cast off its Soviet style. It carries many brands, but often just one item, one size, one pattern - not exactly a harbor of choice and selection.

For example, the Best Of team could count the exact number (seven) of embroidered sets from Spain; colors of Austrian jersey sheets (two white and blue), and sets of the refined, embroidered linens by France's Bianca Luna (one). Ukrainian linens were easily the most numerous. Some of the team still remember the time when the only linens available in the country were white. Whether Soviet central planners were deliberately holding the line on fabric dyes, or there was another reason for such a "purist" trend in linens, remains unknown.

Thankfully, contemporary Ukrain-

IF LACE FROM FLORENCE SUITS YOU BETTER, GIGLIO CAN HAVE YOUR FAMILY COAT OF ARMS EMBROIDERED ON THE SHEETS, OR ORDER A SET IN YOUR FAMILY COLORS, BUT BE PREPARED TO PART WITH Hr 22,000 or more.

pillows, bed covers and sleeping ian linen producers are mov- ing gowns to match the linens. The damp stalls at Petrivka will never enter our minds again.

The prices at Linens happened to be as pleasing as the selection: Hr 150 and up for printed cotton single sets or Hr 180 and up for twins -

away from Soviet styles as quickly as possible. Today's Ukrainian linens grab your attention with funky colors - perhaps a bit too much if you'd rather count sheep in your head than lines on the pillowcase.

Tired and disappointed at not havprices not likely to tear a hole in any ing found any silk or satin sheets, and

While the Best Of team found that La Notte on Sahaydachnoho in Podil may not have those silk sheets that give rise to champagne wishes and caviar dreams, to the team members, that hardly matters in giving it the Best Of nod to where to buy linens and bedding. (Post photo by Oleksy Boyko)

reeling from the endless array of flo- to sleep au natural on a bed of would have been identical to Linens ral patterns, polka dots and cartoon characters, the Best Of Team was heading home when they happened Best Of Team still felt uncertain upon a real jewel of a linen shop.

In comparison to cottony Turkish "pop" or mind-numbing Ukrainian "funk," the Giglio shop of Italian haute couture linens on Chervonoarmiyska 18 was a veritable symphony performed by the London

linens of the most refined colors hung languidly off the shelves, and a wellgroomed shop assistant told the team members that a simple yet elegant set by Fretta goes for as "little" as Hr 2,000. If lace from Florence suits you better, Giglio can have your family coat of arms embroidered on the sheets, or order a set in your family colors, but be prepared to part with Hr 22,000 or more. If your fantasy is

money, this could be the ticket.

Mesmerized by Giglio's luxury, the about its search. Exclusive Italian linens didn't warm the teams' frugal hearts. Even with our minds firmly set that we would find there little to put our thoughts to rest, we hit Metrograd.

We found bedding sets of Italian silk for Hr 600 and similar Ukrainian sets for Hr 324. And with many other fabrics and styles offered for reasonable prices and in remarkably stylish patterns, we believed our mission was complete.

But we decided to make one last stop, trekking to Podil, and Sahaydachnoho to be exact, where the Best Of team noticed an alluring sign for La Notte. To our chagrin, the Italian sign provided camouflage for more Turkish brands. The shop

(not a horrible result), with the same dizzying variety of colors and patterns in cotton, low prices and additional services but for its wider much wider - selection of fabrics. Jersey and flannel Twin sets go for as little as Hr 55 and cozy terrycloth sets range from Hr 55 to Hr 80.

While the Best Of team found that La Notte may not have those silk sheets that give rise to champagne wishes and caviar dreams, but to the team members, that hardly matters. La Notte certainly seems the city's best place to buy linens: it's spacious; the atmosphere and staff weren't pretentious and we didn't have to ask the clerks if we needed a bank to co-sign on any purchases.

La Notte

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Ноw то соре WITH ALLERGIES

It may not look like it from the

only lower your acceptance with fortress of sorts.

long distances, dumping local succumbing to further allergy prob- Still suffering? Keep few flowers and Flixonase (Hr 90.09). offenders (plants) in the garbage will lems indoors, turn the house into a plants as home or eliminate them As a precautionary measure, cal-

altogether, and tell friends not to cium gluconate should be taken

Philharmonic. Bourgeois, breath-taking silk

snow on the ground, but spring is knocking on the door. With it comes trouble, and not just in the form of May showers. Hay fever (or allergic rhinitis in medical terminology) means that instead of enjoying the sunny weather and warmth to come, many people suffer through the sneezing, itchy and watery eyes, runny nose and even a burning sensation in the palate and throat.

As sufferers and everyone should know, the coming of warmth also means everything is in bloom: trees, weeds and grasses begin to release pollen, which ride on currents of air up and into your nasal passages and bronchi. Most intense in April and May, and lasting until the October, allergy season begs relief.

The best treatment is obviously avoidance of all allergens. Because airborne pollens can be carried for

neighbors rather than lower your susceptibility. Pollen can drift for many kilometers.

Short of reprising Tom Hanks' role in "Cast Away" and finding a desert isle at sea to get away from it all, just try to avoid those pleasant walks in parks and forests, or trips out to the country. Or at least limit your outdoor trips to damp, rainy days. And because the worst time of the day for encroaching allergy problems is noon (when pollen rises the highest), try to go outdoors earlier or later in the day. But you can't stay home all the time, so before leaving the house, dab each nostril with greasy skin cream or Vaseline, and wear sunglasses. After returning, wash your eyes with warm water, take a shower or at least wash your hair (pollen gathers in hair).

Sadly, don't think for a minute you're safe inside the house. Before

Line all windows with damp gauze and change it often. An air conditioner is also useful to rid the air of pollen, dust and other allergens. Keep windows closed, opening them only in the early morning or evening. Put away carpets and plush toys, and clean all surfaces with a damp cloth as often as possible.

Avoid cosmetic creams that contain pollen (they should be labeled as containing it or not). As for food, depending on what you're allergic to, it is often a good idea to avoid honey, apples (especially red ones), nuts and cherries. Also halva, mustard and mayonnaise and dry wines (especially champagne) are to be avoided. Bothered by barley and other grains? Nix the beer and drink more mineral water. On the helpful side, eating more sour milk products will help to remove allergens from your body. bring you flowers. You seem like a grouch, but you won't be sneezing, either.

TREATMENTS

Taking all conceivable precautions will hardly keep all allergies away; eventually, an over-the-counter remedy may be the only thing standing between hay fever and happiness. Suprastine (Hr 13.33) stops an acute attack of allergy, Diazoline (Hr 1.30) will put a temporary end to a reaction (but not a strong allergy). Claritin (Hr 26.96) is quite a weak concoction, but good for children for the same reason. In the same family of temporary relief medicines there are new treatments such as Agistan (Hr 13.22) and Erius (Hr 31.09). To cease mixedema (otherwise known as a deviated septum or chronic runny nose) use nasal sprays - namely Beconaze (Hr 17.89) and

throughout the year, and consider activated carbon or charcoal, which helps remove allergic toxins from the body. It should be taken separately from other treatments, either two hours before or two hours after a meal. And don't forget: some of the treatments listed above may induce drowsiness, so, depending on your job and the activities you perform (like driving a car), choose those best suited for the occasion.

All the medications and prices listed above were found at Europharm (40/25 B. Khmelnytskoho, 234-2988), but many drugstores across the city will carry these same medications and remedies. So get to the nearest drugstore and ask the pharmacist what to do when the allergens of spring run wild on you.

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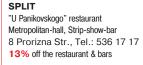
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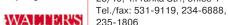
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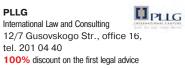
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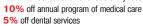
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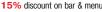
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Editor-in-chief Oleh Lysenko called Korrespondent TOP-100 rating an annual project rather than a one-time event. "We wanted to show Ukrainians the people who decide the country's fate. I think that everybody will be curious to see who has preserved their rating and who have moved up or down in future years. It is also interesting to see who will fall out of the ratings and who will be added in their place."

The Korrespondent TOP-100 rating covers an unusually wide range of people representing different social spheres. Among them are sportsmen, politicians, businessmen, writers, scientists, religious figures and foreigners whose life activities are linked to Ukraine. It is these 100 people, according to Korrespondent, that determine the lives of Ukrainians, directly and indirectly affecting their awareness. A truly noticeable part of the population are supportive of their ideas and achievements. These people are setting the trends in Ukraine while at the same time carrying Ukraine's identity and its image around the globe.

Today, the Korrespondent TOP-100 rat- participants on the life of Ukraine. ing is the only analytical investigation carried out in Ukraine on such a large scale. on the TOP-100 list, Korrespondent has magazine contact Korrespondent's The rating is based on the real influence of also made some guesses as to what the **advertising department at 573-8353.**



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*Afisha***Guide* to Shopping will help Kyivans and guests become familiar with the diversity of stores in Kyiv.

After the shopping tour, watch for *Afisha*Guides* on Kyiv's bars and restaurants, due for release later this summer.

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LOLA PIZZA 5 Lva Tolstoho, Tel.: 234-7423 Open: 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. ST - 5% off the menu LUKULL 63 Chervonoarmiyska, Tel.: 227-5008 Open: round-the-clock

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1 Lysenka Tel.: 228-8142, 229-7301 Open:7 a.m. - 11 p.m.

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SAFE 23 Vasilkivska, Tel.: 536-0157 Open: 1 p.m. - 6 a.m.

SAM'S STEAK HOUSE 37 Zhvlvanska Str., tel. 227-2000 *Open: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 a.m.* American, European Cuisine

SAPPHIRE 5-7/29 Shevchenko blvd., Tel.: 244-1262 Open: round - the - clock

SURPRISE 3 Pirohova, Tel.: 235-7234, Open: 9 a.m. - 2 a m

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12G Hospitalna, Tel.: 220-5229 Open: noon - midnight

TSARSKOE SELO 42/1 Sichnevoho Povstannya Tel.: 290-3066, 573-9775 Open: 11 a.m. - 1 a.m. - 5% off the menu (excluding dusiness lunch)

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18 Ilyinska, Tel.: 416-2085/0001 Open:11 a.m. - midnight P - 10% off the menu **ALEXANDRIA**

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PODVIRYA 19 Andriyvsky Uzviz, Tel.: 416-4944/4844 Open: 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.

POSEIDON Naberezhne Highway, Primakov Park Tel: 254-2137/2243 Open: round-the-clock

SAN TORI 41 Sahaydachnoho, Tel.: 462-4994 *Open: 11 a.m. - 1 a.m*.

SVITLYTSYA 13b Andriyivsky Uzviz, Tel.: 416-3186 Open: 11 a.m. till the last client TERRA

TEQUILA-HOUSE

8a Špasska, Tel.: 417-0358

VELIKAYA STENA

WINSTUB

2a Kostyantynivska, Tel.: 230-6027

Open: 10 a.m. - 11 p.m.

VVEDENSKAYA USAD'BA

25, Vvedenska Str. Tel.: 417-417-9, 417-87-10 *Open: 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.* European cuisine

9 Andriyivska, Tel.: 416-8227 Open: noon till the last client

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6 Sahaydachnoho, Tel.: 336-1267

CANTINA "AZTECA"

GORFTS

31a Vorovskoho, Tel.: 216-8656 Open: 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. P - 10% off the menu

9 Vorovskoho, Tel.: 212-1549/2300 Open: noon - 1 a.m.

STEAK HOUSE

16A Chokolivsky, Tel.: 241-0597

CHOKOLIVKA

Open:noon - 11 p.m., [№] - 11% off the menu

LUKIANIVKA

10 Zoolohychna, Tel.: 490-0604 *Open: noon - midnight*

34 Andriyivsky Uzviz, Tel.: 416-3516 *Open: 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.*

LVIVSKA PLOSHCHA

Open: 11 a.m. – 1 a.m. Mexican Cuisine

19 Skovorody, "Podil-Plaza" business center Tel.: 467-6121 Open:9 a.m. till last customer 39 - 10% off the menu

GARAGE

12 Shota Rustaveli, Tel.:227-0202 Open:noon till last customer

O'BRIEN'S IRISH PUB 17-a Mykhailivska, Tel.: 229-1584 Open: 8 a.m. - 2 a.m. OKEO SUSHI HOUSE

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43 14 Radyanskoy Ukrainy, Tel.: 434-4177 Open: round-the-clock

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A Rohnedynska, Tel.: 220-0216, 235-7059 Open: round-the-clock 7% off the menu

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EVRIKA GOA Lesi Ukrainki, Tel.: 295-5200/9081 Open:11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

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EORMULA CLUB 2 Velyka Okruzhna, Tel.: 474-2761, 476-3820 Open: 11 a.m. till last customer

GABRIELA

1\2 Khreschatyk, Hotel Dnipro Tel.: 228-8802, Open: round-the-clock

JEPSEN BLUES 31 Shevchenko Blvd., Tel.: 234-2587 Open: 10 a.m. - midnight

JOSS 2 Okipnoi Raisy, Tel.;516-8674 Open: round-the-clock (metro station "Livoberezhna")

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TATO 6/11 S. Perovskoy, Tel.: 456-1782 Open: Friday - Sunday

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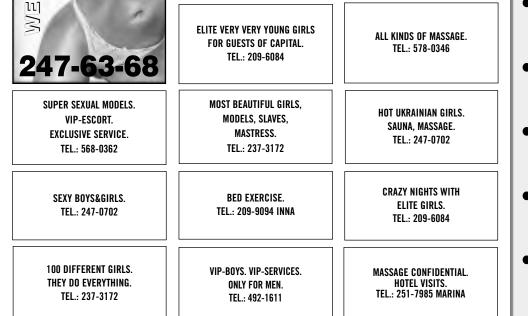
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