

Corvallis Uzhhorod Sister Cities Association 2010 to 1988 Timeline of Major Projects and Events

1988-2003 Based on Carol Paulson's records

Annual Additions by CUSCA Board

2010

- Collection began for the ATU6 shipment.
- Artwork greeting cards by Uzhhorod artist **Myroslava Hresko** and jewelry made by Pavlovo Farm Home were sold as fundraisers.
- July 9-19-In lieu of an official delegation, transportation costs were paid for **Ira Roshkovich** and **Viktoriya Danchyn-Brezhynska** who taught Ukrainian culture to Corvallis youth during the Arts Center's Globetrotters week. The children performed a Ukrainian dance at daVinci Days where CUSCA had an information booth.
- July-President **Ken Trueba**, attended the International Sister Cities convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- June-Sister Cities Week-a banner hung over Harrison St., a display and informational exhibit was in the Footwise window, and we had a booth at Farmers' Market.
- June 4-A successful bogrash dinner and raffle (a painting donated by **Paul Allen**) as a delegation fundraiser with over 100 people attending and the Maharimbos providing entertainment.
- May-The flower basket fundraiser sold over 300 baskets.
- An AFS student from Ukraine was at Crescent Valley High School for the 2009-2010 school year.
- Spring-We had two interns work with the Board, a senior from OSU, and a graduate student at PSU.

2009

- September-TOUCH delegation of 23 people to Uzhhorod-**Mike Boom**, **Peter Vomocil**, and **Els Lofgren** represented Corvallis at Uzhhorod's City Days. Uzhhorod has named a street after Corvallis.
- September-we had an informational booth at the first Peace Fair in Corvallis.
- August-Receipt of the Rotary Foundation \$20,000 grant for Chaslivtsi Orphanage Dental Clinic (inception 2004) in Uzhhorod which treats 100 orphan children annually. Partnership funding came from The Corvallis Rotary Club, The Uzhhorod Rotary Club, CUSCA, & 15 private donors. Supplies included: toothbrushes, paste, fluoride packets, restorative materials, hand instruments, x-ray film, local anesthesia, clinic paper goods, air compressor for dental hand pieces.
- July-**Dr. Krulyk**, from Uzhhorod, toured & gained professionally from the Oregon Health Sciences University Dental School, Newberg ADEC dental mfg. plant, dental hygiene school Lane Community College, dental assisting school Linn- Benton Community College, & 4 Corvallis dental offices.
- June-Annual Membership Meeting in conjunction with C-Gondar-SCA. Uzhhorod topics: Maharimbos Project, Dental Clinic, Intern to Uzhhorod.
- May-Sister Cities Week, display at Footwise, Booth at Farmers Market, banner over Harrison Blvd. Event guest speaker **Robert Kykyneshi** who grew up in Uzhhorod.
- May-Flower Basket fundraiser sells 306 baskets.
- May-Uzhhorod Open World Delegation of 12 visits Corvallis, OSU Law and Political Science Depts.
- March/April-Exchange from Uzhhorod: **Iryna Roshkovych**, UCSCA President & Vice Director of Path to Life Rehabilitation Center. She visited/presented at: Arts Center programs, Grace Center, Boys & Girls Club, CHS disabled programs, OSU, Old Mill Center, Rotary (2 clubs),

Benton Co. Dept. of Developmental Disabilities, prepared for the Bogrash Dinner fundraiser. **Maya Tarasova**, Window on America librarian at the Transcarpathian Regional Scientific Library. She visited/attended: Corvallis Benton County Public Library, Philomath Library, Monroe Library, Alsea Library, Bookmobile, annual Oregon Library Assoc. Conf. in Salem, Rotary, prepared for Bogrash Dinner fundraiser, Corvallis City Council, OSU Library, Hover School Library, Cheldelin School Library, CVHS & CHS Library, Corvallis Instructional Media Center.

- Spring 2009 first E-newsletter.
- March-Uzhhorod Councilman, **Anatoliy Synyshyn**, visits Corvallis and speaks to CUSCA about current economic conditions in Uzhhorod.

2008

- CUSCA newsletter sent to the membership and sponsors in the winter by Communications Chair
- Sept./Oct., 23 member TOUCH delegation, with Chairs **Alice Rampton & Sabra Killen**, 5 members from Girl Scout Troop 199, traveled to Uzhhorod. Delegation carried 1500 pounds of humanitarian supplies in suitcases; including 30 quilts, 210 hygiene kits, 24 bulletin boards, school supplies; paint brushes, rollers, supplies for painting a school; sponsor letters, 50 pair gloves, 50 pocket dolls, 40 shirts for boys, 100 stuffed hearts, \$800 worth of jewelry making supplies; microscope, ostomy supplies, glucometers, lab supplies; and bags of candy. They attended concerts of the Maharimbas band, visited all 5 TOUCH programs in Uzhhorod, took 80 Chaslivtsi Orphanage children shopping, painted Public School #14, the Girls Scouts met the young woman they sponsored for 8 years, attended concerts by TOUCH children and the Transcarpathian Folk Choir and Orchestra, participated in a Social Work Conference, and initiated a jewelry micro-business for the young women at Pavlovo Farm Home.
- Sept./Oct.-CUSCA President, **Bev Smith**, in Uzhhorod as part of the TOUCH Delegation and met with: The Transcarpathian Regional Scientific Library Director to plan for the spring 2009 exchange to bring Window on America librarian to Corvallis; Live TV Interview discussing CUSCA projects with Librarian and USCA; visited the Chaslivtsi Dental Clinic; represented CUSCA for the 1115 celebration of “The City Days of Uzhhorod”; attended event at Philharmonic Society Hall announcing the “Honourable Citizens of Uzhhorod” and awarded individually were **Alice and Mark Rampton**; presented Uzhhorod **Mayor Ratushnyak** myrtlewood dove and brass plaque that was placed on marimbas purchased by CUSCA, gifted to children of Uzhhorod; met with Window on America librarian and UCSCA President to discuss/plan future projects; interview by Official Mayor’s weekly newspaper discussing projects, changes in Uzhhorod in past 20 years, exchanges past and future; visited House of Mercy, Uzhhorod, orphanage funded by NGO in Norway built 2005; met with “Help A Friend” animal protection group with UCSCA president and referred them to interest groups in Ukraine
- Sept., Maharimbas band traveled to Uzhhorod playing at 16 venues, including 2 public schools, the Philharmonic Hall, and outdoor venues at City Day Celebration, taught 5 master classes with 10 music students, and 3 music teachers. Donated by CUSCA, a set of marimbas were given to the children of Uzhhorod and left at the PADIUN youth palace where lessons will continue.
- Sept., a fundraiser concert by the Maharimbas was held at Tyee Winery in Benton Co to help send them to Uzhhorod.
- CUSCA begins celebrating 20th year, began in 1988 with Sister Cities International.
- August, a summer camp, organized by CUSCA Youth chair, was held in Petrovo, Ukraine. In addition to the circus based theme and circus performing, there were crafts, singing and camp activities conducted in English.
- July and June, fundraisers for The Maharimbas project to Uzhhorod at Corvallis Farmer’s Market and at daVince Days.

- June, at the Annual Sister Cities membership meeting **Bob Stebbins** was honored by the CUSCA board and designated an Honored Member for his service in heading the Annual Flower Basket Sale. The new website for CSCA was presented to general membership of Uzhhorod and Gondar committees. The week included a banner proclaiming the event over Harrison Blvd. and display of pictures, folk art, and items from our sister cities in the Footwise Store window.
- Spring paper newsletter sent to the membership and sponsors by Communications Chair.
- May, fundraisers for the Maharimbos Project: one at Papa's Pizza (the band played) and the flower basket fundraiser (baskets by Peoria Gardens) with 200 baskets sold and delivered.
- May, **Randy Killen** traveled to Uzhhorod working with **Zita Batori-Tarts** to renew application for a TOUCH foundation in Ukraine and to oversee the new fence at school #14 funded by CUSCA.
- January, TOUCH chairs receive confirmation of a donation of \$24,300 from NuSkin's Force for Good Foundation for construction of a sports field at Chaslivtsi Orphanage.
- January, the Board voted to use the Ukrainian spelling, Uzhhorod, rather than the Russian spelling, Uzhgorod.

2007

- The eighteen members TOUCH 7 Delegation traveled to Uzhgorod in October. Delegation member Paul Kline a photographer from Washington, D.C. is gathering images of children in orphanages throughout the world. The delegation met with Mayor **Sergei Ratushnyak** in Uzhgorod. Delegation members carried nearly 2000 pounds of humanitarian supplies in their suitcases including 30 quilts, 40 pairs of socks, 130 hats, 75 pairs of gloves, 60 soft balls, 65 NuSkin school kits, sponsor letters, jewelry, 300 bracelets, jump ropes, board and card games, otoscopes, ostomy supplies, glucometers, ultra sound, acupuncture needles, and baby blankets. They participated in awareness march for those with disabilities, attended a concert with 150 children of the Transcarpathian Folk Choir and Ensemble, participated at a Social Work Conference at Uzhgorod National University, met with Uzhhorod Sister Cities Assoc., took children shopping, on outdoor excursion, and attended their concerts.
- **Girl Scout Troop 199** presented a request to CUSCA for support to raise money to travel to Uzhhorod.
- Majestic Theatre, 1/19, benefit for CUSCA. **John Hope-Johnstone**, Corvallis Tourism, was Master of Ceremonies. Musical entertainment lit up with the talents of the **Aviators** (young men's a cappella group), **Free Range Chix** (singing original music), and **Maharimbos** (African, big band, reggae rhythms). Sponsors that advertised in the program; many volunteers (stage manager, stage hands, lighting, sound, emcee, ushers, lobby display folks, and CUSCA Majestic Committee). Proceeds support for Uzhgorod community visiting exchanges and projects.

2006

- Uzhgorod Corvallis Sister Cities Assoc. (USCA) elects new officers in February, revitalizing the organization.
- Transparency project encourages USCA to develop strategic plan followed by CUSCA developing a strategic plan, delegation, and future directions.
- By-laws revisions for Corvallis Sister Cities Association are completed.
- CSCA plans Sister Cities Week in collaboration with C-GSCA and CUSCA.
- CUSCA Adviser and member of Zonta travels to Uzhgorod to observe ratification of Uzhgorod SCA strategic plan and meet with Uzhgorod Zonta Club.
- A twenty-five-member delegation traveled to Uzhgorod, Ukraine as part of The TOUCH Project in Sept.-Oct. They met with the children in The TOUCH Project, delivered letters from sponsors, provided outreach activities for the children, and developed strategies to help meet their basic needs and educational opportunities. The delegation took children shopping, to a puppet theater,

out for pizza and ice cream, to an amusement park, and participated in an disability awareness march, and conference on orphans at Uzhhorod University. In addition, delegation members also hand carried 10 quilts, 500 pairs of socks, 220 school kits, 80 teddy bears, 10 jackets and 10 t-shirts, ostomy supplies, acupuncture needles, hats, hundreds of writing pens, 90 colorful flannel pillowcases, books and tapes, baby clothes and blankets for the Uzhgorod Children's Hospital, 38 puppets, paints, markers, crayons, clay, beads, and other craft supplies, an ultrasound machine for new mammography center in Uzhgorod. The center was opened in October 2007 and furnished with 2 mammography machines and other equipment sent in ATU5 shipment through CSCA.

- Three Delegates represented Corvallis for Uzhgorod City Days in October 2006.

2005

- ***Cantus Chamber Choir***, a professional a cappella ensemble from Uzhgorod performs 14 concerts and 10 Master classes in 8 Pacific Northwest cities, April. 450 volunteers hosted concerts, dinners, receptions, and home stays for choir members. In Corvallis, ***Cantus*** performs four concerts; one at Crescent Valley High School with 160 students from both high schools and the other with 6 community choirs at a Choral Festival hosted at the LaSells Stewart Center on the OSU campus.
- Zonta Eastern European Tour led by past CSCA President and Corvallis Zonta Club President is hosted for four days by Zonta Club of Uzhgorod. CSCA Board member is part of the 17 member tour with representatives from four countries. Tour was a substantial fund raiser for the Uzhgorod Zonta Club.
- Fifth shipment of humanitarian aid (Aid to Uzhgorod 5/ ATU5) is packed in two 40-foot containers and shipped to Ukraine. Recipients in Uzhgorod include a new Mammography Clinic, The TOUCH Project, the Municipal Hospital, and the Uzhgorod City Search and Rescue team. The shipment includes donations and equipment from the Corvallis-Uzhgorod Public Safety Project.
- CSCA and TOUCH Project sponsors the first visit of a 3-member TOUCH delegation from Uzhgorod and focuses on education and vocational training opportunities. (physician at Chaslivtsi Orphanage; Director of the Chaslivtsi Orphanage; and TOUCH Coordinator in Uzhgorod)
- TOUCH Project (TOUCH5) travels to Uzhgorod in September. The 16 members distribute supplies (1100 pairs of underwear, 420 toys, 27 quilts, 50 choir blazers, 120 boxes of crayons and colored pencils and 3 sensory tables) to the TOUCH organizations. Delegation attends an educational conference in Uzhgorod on the topic of orphans with presenters from Kiev and L'Viv, Ukraine and Szgred, Hungary, co-sponsored by TOUCH.
- CSCA funds second Uzhgorod Delegation of Non-government Organizations (NGO) representatives to attend philanthropic training in Kiev.
- CSCA welcomes a second Sister Cities Association representing Gondar, Ethiopia—Corvallis-Gondar Sister Cities Association). CSCA by-laws are revised to accommodate multiple sister cities with CSCA coordinating events such as Sister Cities week in spring, maintaining the non-profit status, and archiving the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws.
- A new name, Corvallis Uzhgorod Sister Cities Association (CUSCA), is adopted to distinguish the two standing committees of CSCA: Corvallis Gondar SCA and Corvallis Uzhgorod SCA.
- Uzhgorod Sister City Assoc. begins strategic planning process in September utilizing an outside facilitator paid for by Sister Cities International "Transparency Grant".
- CUSCA Board Vice-President travels to Ukraine with family in October to make connections with "roots" and make contact with Uzhgorod SCA.
- Sister Cities International "Transparency Grant" concludes and final report is sent to Sister Cities International.

2004

- Official Delegation from Corvallis travels to Uzhgorod and includes Corvallis City Manager and OSU Dean of the School of Business. The focus included development in areas of transparency and openness in business and government sectors.
- An engineer visits the Orphanage giving technical assistance for the sanitation project.
- Two state-of-the-art dental operatories open in Uzhgorod through joint funding with USAID, AIHA, CSCA, Rotary International and dental supply companies.
- Two dental professionals travel to Uzhgorod to assist with opening a new Dental Clinic at Uzhgorod University.
- CSCA President travels to Uzhgorod in April to discuss transparency grant and plan Corvallis Official Delegation's visit to Uzhgorod.
- Two members meet with the Kiev training group in Uzhgorod.
- CSCA funds Uzhgorod Delegation of Non-Government Organizations (NGO) representatives to attend philanthropic training in Kiev.
- Two TOUCH members are in Uzhgorod to work with the Orphanage in designing a laundry facility.
- Fourth shipment of humanitarian aid is prepared for shipment to Uzhgorod as ATU4 (Aid to Uzhgorod 4). It focuses on medical and dental clinics in Uzhgorod, the Chaslivtsi Orphanage, Rehabilitation Center for Children with Disabilities, Uzhgorod National University and Medical School, and Uzhgorod Fire and Police Departments. Shipping cost is paid by the US State department/Counterparts International.
- The *Cantus* video team travels to Uzhgorod in May to do technical work in preparation of developing a videotape to be used in the promotion of the *Cantus* choir tour in spring of 2005.
- A medical training program is provided for an Uzhgorod resident of the Family Medicine Clinic, for 6 weeks in Oregon.
- A "Follow-up Cross Partnership Workshop and Community Based Primary Healthcare Partnership" is implemented in Uzhgorod in May, led by AIHA project coordinator.
- The ATU4 shipment is received in Uzhgorod. CSCA volunteers travel in May and June to help with the distribution but the shipment has not yet passed customs
- Besides X-ray machines, ultra-sounds, hospital beds, furniture, challenge game equipment, clothing, and computers, the ATU4 shipment includes books (mostly children's, also young adult and adult) donated for Chaslivtsi Orphanage, New Beginnings Vocational Center #5, Vocational School for Girls, New Family Program, Way of Life – Rehabilitation Center for Children, Municipal (City) Children's Library, State Children's Library, and School No. 1. A total of 32 boxes, 1,404 books, approx. value \$7,020, approx. 1,236 lbs. In June, the CSCA book project coordinator meets with persons in each facility that requested books.
- ATU4 includes 97 boxes with approximately 1,380 journals and textbooks for University of Uzhgorod. The scientific journals from the OSU Library dated to 1970's and represented areas such as Science, Nature, Engineering, and others. This collection is expected to complement several books on display at the Library in Uzhgorod dating to 1753 with leather cover.
- CSCA Board President visits Uzhgorod in June and meets with the ATU4 and Youth Exchange groups.
- One member provides coordination with the Altrusa group in Uzhgorod.
- An art sale to benefit children with disabilities is sponsored by CSCA in June.
- CSCA/AIHA Primary Healthcare Partnership earns a top honor, "*Innovations in Healthcare Award*" by Sister Cities International.
- Two CSCA volunteers give leadership to the Corvallis-Uzhgorod Youth Exchange in June and July. One medical doctor assists with medical preparations in Corvallis and one medical doctor represents Corvallis parents with a short visit in Uzhgorod during the Youth Exchange.

- Seven Corvallis youth participate in the 7 week C-U Youth Exchange that involves 3 weeks of volunteer work with home stays in Uzhgorod, and 3 weeks of volunteer work and home stays in Corvallis.
- Six Uzhgorod youth are participants in the Youth Exchange program under the guidance of a leader/coordinator in Uzhgorod and Corvallis. Volunteer work in both cities and home hospitality is given
- An exchange student, who attended Corvallis High School during the 2003-2004 school year, assists with the orientation, planning, and implementation of the Youth Exchange activities in Corvallis and in Uzhgorod after her return to Uzhgorod. She also provides a home stay for one participant.
- Home hospitality for the Youth Exchange program in Corvallis is provided by 7 host families.
- Eleven member delegation travels to Ukraine in September as part of the TOUCH4 Project. The group hand carries 2100 pairs of socks, 35 quilts, 350 t-shirts, 300 knitted hats, and 600 toothbrushes to children in need and helps distribute the ATU4 shipment to Uzhgorod recipients.
- A delegation representing the CUSARA project is in Uzhgorod October 5 to 20 for the purpose of networking with fire, police, search and rescue personnel in Uzhgorod. They meet with professional counterparts, deliver equipment and supply donations, and purchase state-of-the-art cross-country skis for the rescue team. Funding is provided by Benton County, individuals, Corvallis Fire Department, Benton County Sheriff's Association, and local businesses. Project co-director is from the Benton County Emergency Management, Search and Rescue team. The delegation includes personnel from Corvallis, Philomath, and Benton County. (Benton County Amateur Radio and Hospice; Corvallis Mountain Rescue Unit, Corvallis Police Department; Corvallis Fire Department; Philomath Fire and Rescue; Red Cross and Corvallis Mountain Rescue Unit; Corvallis Mountain Rescue; OSU Public Safety)
- The Corvallis-Uzhgorod Public Safety Project provides donations and equipment for ATU4 project.
- The CSCA Transparency Project funds a five-member delegation from Uzhgorod to visit Corvallis November 10 to 24 as part of the Uzhgorod Business and City Government Transparency Project. Majority of funding came from a \$5,000 grant from Sister Cities International. The team consisted of two business volunteers, two government officials and a volunteer translator. They were: **Alen Panov** -Head of the Information Services and Communication Committee; **Andriy Bahanych** – Business/Rotary Representative; **Myroslava Kalamunyak** – Business/Regional Representative; **Svitlana Slava** – University Professor/Volunteer Translator; **Vera Shubchyaska** – Vice Mayor of Information Services and Communications. The visit combined workshops, seminars, field trips, tours and project development activities focusing on government and business transparency issues. The majority of funding for the visit came from the grant. Two business representatives paid for their own transportation. Project managed by a partnership with CSCA, City of Corvallis, OSU, Corvallis Chamber of Commerce, and Linn-Benton Community College.

2003

- NuSkin Enterprises Force For Good Foundation donates \$20,000 to TOUCH project for beds and playground at the Chaslivtsi Orphanage and playground at the Uzhgorod rehabilitation center for children with disabilities.
- Zonta International accepts Uzhgorod application in January.
- Travel professional and CSCA member travel to Uzhgorod to make plans for a tourist group to visit Uzhgorod as part of a group tour to Europe in late 2004.
- A working delegation from Uzhgorod travels to Corvallis. Members include Uzhgorod Mayor, business manager of *Cantus* choir, a journalist, and an interpreter. (mayor; business manager of *Cantus* choir; journalist; interpreter)

- Corvallis Zonta Delegation (6 members) plus a member of the South Sound Washington Zonta Club, Zonta District 8 Governor, Zonta District 27 Governor and a Zonta International Board Member travel to Uzhgorod for Zonta Club of Uzhgorod Chartering Ceremony in March/April. Event is also attended by delegations from Zonta Clubs in Lviv and Odessa Ukraine, and Gdansk and Warsaw, Poland.
- **Alice Rampton** accompanies **Dr. Judy Norman** from BYU's School of Social Work to meet with the faculty of Uzhgorod National University's School of Social Work. Dr. Norman lectures and meets with children in The TOUCH Project.
- Two TOUCH members travel to Uzhgorod to coordinate allocation of NuSkin grant funds for beds and playgrounds at the orphanage and rehabilitation center. They also establish and register TOUCH as a Ukrainian NGO.
- A four-member assessment - selection team travel to Uzhgorod for the OSU program "Developing Sustainable Tourism."
- CUSARA (Corvallis-Uzhgorod Search and Rescue Alliance) co-directors travel to Uzhgorod to deliver donated rescue equipment and plan future programming and shipment of supplies.
- Twelve Ukrainian tourism professionals and the two Uzhgorod coordinators travel to Corvallis for a three-week program on "Developing Sustainable Tourism" including one member of the Corvallis-Uzhgorod Public Safety Partnership
- Corvallis-Uzhgorod Public Safety Partnership sends Search and Rescue Equipment to Uzhgorod with Opalenyk.
- One student arrives from Uzhgorod to attend Corvallis High School during the 2003-2004 school year, sponsored by FLEX (Future Leaders Exchange).
- The TOUCH3 delegation travels to Uzhgorod, Ukraine in September 2003 with the special mission of distributing quilts for children in the Orphanage and Rehabilitation Center.
- While in Uzhgorod with the TOUCH3 delegation, coordinators for the Youth Exchange program, meet with and assist with selection of participants for the 2004 Youth Exchange.
- Groundwork is laid in Uzhgorod for the Aid to Uzhgorod 4 (ATU4) project.
- Medical professionals travel to Uzhgorod in September/October to assist with implementation of the AIHA project, "Uzhgorod-Corvallis Community Based Primary Healthcare Partnership," funded by US Agency for International Development (USAID). The work includes set-up of the Uzhgorod University Family Medicine Training Clinic, clinic reviews, clinical staff training, and contacts with the University Hospital Women's Wellness Center.

2002

- CSCA sends an official working delegation to Uzhgorod to work on water issues, performing arts, education, and law.
- Corvallis-Uzhgorod Public Safety partnership formed with Rescue, Law Enforcement, Fire and Ambulance Services that will later become a non-profit project to support counterparts and exchange professional information.
- Two CSCA members who are Zontians travel to Uzhgorod in April to conduct training and provide technical assistance to prospective Zonta Club members on application to Zonta International.
- Initial Uzhgorod Zonta Club application is rejected by Zonta International in July. Zonta Club of Corvallis, Zonta District 8 Governor (Northwestern United States and Canada) and Zonta District 27 Governor (Central and Eastern Europe) create a "technical and financial assistance plan" and convince Zonta International Board Member to reintroduce Uzhgorod Application.
- Two people travel to Uzhgorod and Kyiv in Ukraine and Krakow, Poland to facilitate Red Cross participation in the Women's Neighborhood Networking Project finale – the Emergency Preparedness conference and community preparedness event. On the trip to Kyiv and Krakow,

they are joined by four other people from Uzhgorod. (Uzhgorod project coordinators; Uzhgorod Red Cross Executive Director; and Transcarpathia Red Cross).

- Six people travel to Uzhgorod as part of the Women's Neighborhood Networking Project and facilitate training with project participants and members of their neighborhood networks. Project finale events include an Emergency Preparedness conference with representatives from Uzhgorod, Kyiv and Krakow, Poland, and a community education event involving the emergency preparedness and response communities in Uzhgorod.
- Two CSCA members travel to Uzhgorod to work on agricultural issues and gather recipes for a Ukrainian cookbook.
- Three people travel to Uzhgorod to work at Chaslivtsi Orphanage and to finalize establishment of Uzhgorod Zonta chapter.
- TOUCH member travels to Uzhgorod to finalize the details of the Chaslivtsi Orphanage septic system project. The system is funded by TOUCH, local Rotary Clubs, and Corvallis residents.
- Frequent travel of health professionals between Corvallis and Transcarpathia continue during the year in the AIHA program. Participants work with the Women's Wellness Center in Uzhgorod and the family practice clinic in Velyki Berezni.
- TOUCH project expands to include children with disabilities at the Medical-Social Rehabilitation Center in Uzhgorod.
- Corvallis Sister Cities Association member named Honorary Citizen of Uzhgorod.
- Oregon State University receives U.S. State Department grant funding to promote sustainable tourism in Uzhgorod and Transcarpathia.
- Uzhgorod High School Student arrives in Corvallis to spend the 2002-2003 academic year at Crescent Valley High School under the U.S. State Department-FLEX program, administered locally by AFS.
- Fifteen people travel to Uzhgorod to work with TOUCH project at Chaslivtsi Orphanage, New Family program, and Medical-Social Rehabilitation Center.
- Family Farmers Program started in Uzhgorod. The program includes a rototiller rental project and a farm loan project.
- Corvallis-Uzhgorod Public Safety partnership formed with Rescue, Law Enforcement, Fire and Ambulance Services that will later become a non-profit project to support counterparts and exchange professional information.

2001

- A working delegation from Uzhgorod City Hall travels to Corvallis to study water issues and emergency preparedness. Delegation members include the head of Social Defense, the administrator of the City Council, and the director of Uzhgorod Vodokanal (water and wastewater system). The head of community utilities services accompanies the delegation
- Frequent travel of health professionals between Corvallis and Transcarpathia continue during the year in the AIHA program. Participants work with the Women's Wellness Center in Uzhgorod and the family practice clinic in Velyki Berezni.
- Corvallis Sister Cities Association member receives *Medal of Honor* from the Mayor and City Deputies of Uzhgorod. The award is Uzhgorod's highest honor for citizenship and service to the community.
- Fourteen women from Uzhgorod Sister City Association spend three weeks in Corvallis studying neighborhood networking and emergency preparedness in an OSU-Office of International Research and Development program.
- The two Ukrainian project coordinators remain in Corvallis for an additional week of training that included how to organize and motivate volunteers, using a computer to create publications, and a trip to Seattle, Washington to observe a community emergency preparedness fair.

- Three women from Uzhgorod, who are in Corvallis in April as part of the neighborhood networking and emergency preparedness project at OSU, meet with members of the Corvallis Zonta Club to discuss forming a Zonta Club in Uzhgorod.
- TOUCH Project (Take One Ukrainian Child's Hand) begins. Residents of Corvallis "sponsor" orphans in Uzhgorod and surrounding areas, with \$50 per year going to each child for clothing and toys, and \$10 each donated to the orphanages for general expenses.
- Corvallis Sister Cities Association receives the "*Best Overall Program Award*" from Sister Cities International for cities with populations between 50,000 and 100,000.
- Two people travel to Uzhgorod to mentor the participants of the Women's Neighborhood Networking project.
- Uzhgorod High School student arrives in Corvallis to spend the 2001-2002 academic year at Crescent Valley High School under the US State Department FLEX program, administered locally by AFS.
- CSCA member travels to Uzhgorod to work with Vodokanal on water issues and grant writing.
- Eleven people travel to Uzhgorod (2 in September and 9 in December) to implement the TOUCH program, assess needs, and take the children shopping.
- Member of the September TOUCH Delegation meets with a group of men and women who are interested in starting the Uzhgorod Zonta Club.

2000

- Corvallis artists exhibit their Uzhgorod works at LaSells Stewart Center, with part of the proceeds from sales going to the Uzhgorod Optimist Center.
- Director of the Optimist Center, preschool teacher at the center, member of Uzhgorod Optimists, and Superintendent of Uzhgorod public schools visit Corvallis as part of the Municipal and Community Problem-Solving Program. Their foci include effective combining of preschool and therapy, mainstreaming in the schools, and advocacy for people with disabilities. Funded by the U.S. Department of State and administered by Sister Cities International.
- The MCPSP program continues with two therapists, educational coordinator at Old Mill Center, disabled sportsman, and project director spending two weeks in Uzhgorod working with the Optimist Center staff and people with disabilities.
- Frequent travel of health professionals between Corvallis and Transcarpathia continue during the year in the AIHA program. Participants work to establish a Women's Wellness Center at Regional Hospital in Uzhgorod and a family practice clinic in the Transcarpathian village of Velyki Berezni.
- Thirteen Transcarpathian women spend one month in leadership training at OSU. The Ukrainian Women's Leadership Program is funded by the U.S. Department of State and administered by OSU Women in Development Program with the cooperation of CSCA and local NGOs.
- Uzhgorod Sister City Association of Citizens president travels to Corvallis to participate in Sister Cities Week, celebrating ten years of the Corvallis-Uzhgorod relationship.
- Corvallis Altrusa member travels to Uzhgorod with her husband to further Corvallis-Uzhgorod Altrusa connections.
- The Optimist Computer Center for youth with disabilities opens in Uzhgorod at the Padiun ("Youth Palace"), with furniture donated by CSCA and equipment provided by a European Union grant secured with the cooperation of the Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy in Kiev.
- Uzhgorod artist spends two weeks painting in Oregon -- one week in the Cascade Mountains and one week at the Oregon coast.
- CSCA receives the *Best Assistance Program Award* from Sister Cities International for the ATU3 shipment.
- Two OSU women travel to Uzhgorod to conduct follow-on training as part of the Women's Leadership Program.

- Uzhgorod High School Student arrives in Corvallis to spend the 2000-2001 academic year at Crescent Valley High School under the FLEX program, funded by the U.S. Department of State.
- Uzhgorod State University student arrives at Oregon State University for Masters program in physics/engineering.
- An Uzhgorod physician begins graduate program at OSU in Public Health Administration.
- CSCA sends two water specialists to Uzhgorod to consult with the city regarding water supply problems. A basic water master plan is prepared.
- Three people spend two weeks in Uzhgorod as part of the Municipal and Community Problem-Solving program. They establish a weekly motor fitness clinic and Challenge Games for children with disabilities.
- The project director for the Ukrainian Women's Leadership program travels to Uzhgorod for program evaluation.
- The AIHA program continues with the opening of the Women's Wellness Center at Regional Hospital in Uzhgorod and the Family Practice Clinic in Velyki Berezni.
- The U.S. State Department funds an OSU-OIRD proposal for Women's Neighborhood Networking project focused on neighborhood emergency preparedness. Four women travel to Uzhgorod for participant selection and a training workshop.
- Two Corvallis women and the Ukrainian coordinators travel to Kyiv, Ukraine, and Krakow, Poland to network with Red Cross personnel about creating a relationship with the project.

1999

- ATU3 forms to prepare a third medical aid shipment to Uzhgorod.
- Travel industry representative arrives from Uzhgorod to study Corvallis-Uzhgorod tourism possibilities.
- Newly elected mayor of Uzhgorod leads an official delegation to Corvallis. (mayor; school principal; businessman)
- Leadership training for Uzhgorod and Mukachevo women with disabilities held in Uzhgorod, conducted by trainers from Women's Consortium NIS-USA (Kiev). Funded by SCI/USIA as a follow-on activity for the Municipal and Community Problem-Solving Program on disabilities.
- Two Corvallis artists travel to Uzhgorod to participate in a Sister City Art Conference and Exhibition.
- Corvallis Dentist travels to Uzhgorod to access dental care.
- CSCA receives major funding from AIHA/USAID for a three-year health program in Uzhgorod and Transcarpathia, with foci on primary health care delivery and public health.
- CSCA receives SCI/USIA funding for continuation of the Municipal and Community Problem-Solving Program focused on disabilities issues in Uzhgorod.
- CSCA receives the *Sister Cities International - National Organization on Disabilities Award* for outstanding programs promoting involvement of people with disabilities.
- Uzhgorod High School Student arrives in Corvallis to spend the 1999-2000 academic year at Crescent Valley High School under the USIA-FLEX program.
- The Corvallis-Uzhgorod Public Safety Project provides donations and equipment for ATU3 project.
- ATU3 ships four 40-foot containers of humanitarian aid to Uzhgorod.
- Optimist Center, a preschool and therapy center for children with disabilities, opens in Uzhgorod. The Center, only the third of its kind in Ukraine, receives major support from CSCA through ATU3 and the MCPSP disabilities program, as well as from Uzhgorod Mayor and City Deputies and a grant from Counterpart.

1998

- Three physician-therapists and two disabled people from Uzhgorod spend three weeks in Corvallis observing therapy techniques, disabled sports and movement programs, and access as part of the Municipal and Community Problem-Solving Program on disabilities. (physicians; people with disabilities)
- School-to-School Linkage Program brings 12 students and 3 adults from Uzhgorod to spend one academic term in Corvallis schools.
- Corvallis physicians and Good Samaritan Hospital donate their services to provide needed hip replacement surgery to a teacher in Corvallis for the School-to-School Linkage Program.
- Corvallis participants in the Municipal and Community Problem-Solving Program on disabilities travel to Uzhgorod to introduce Early Intervention, Sports and Recreation Opportunities, and advocacy activities to the disabled community in Uzhgorod.
- CSCA receives the *Best Assistance Program Award* from Sister Cities International for the ATU2 shipment.
- Uzhgorod therapist completes a one-month internship in Corvallis in Early Intervention services as part of the Municipal and Community Problem-Solving Program on disabilities.

1997

- Uzhgorod Sister Cities Association is registered as an official Ukrainian NGO. Officers are President Katherine Bizilia and Vice President Peter Gres.
- Uzhgorod superintendent of schools and a teacher travel to Corvallis for planning meetings for the “School-to-School Linkage Program.”
- CSCA welcomes 11 food processors from Uzhgorod for a one-month training program under the Productivity Enhancement Program sponsored by Center for Citizen Initiatives with USIA funding.
- CSCA sends official working delegation to Uzhgorod to establish contacts for vision care, Rotary, arts, and Altrusa.
- School-to-School Linkage Program sends 12 students and 3 adults from Corvallis to Uzhgorod to spend 3 weeks in Uzhgorod schools.
- Uzhgorod high school student arrives in Corvallis to spend one academic year (1997-98) under USIA’s Freedom Support Act Program, with local coordination by AFS.
- Municipal and Community Problem-Solving Program receives a grant from SCI (USIA funds). The program focuses on needs of Uzhgorod children with physical disabilities and includes therapist training, establishment of an advocacy/support group, increased mobility, and interaction between children with and without disabilities.
- CSCA receives the *1997 Sister Cities International - National Organization on Disabilities Award* for outstanding programs promoting involvement of people with disabilities.
- An Uzhgorod physician and a university student attend the SCI annual convention in San Diego with CSCA board members.
- ATU2 shipment arrives in Uzhgorod, with equipment and supplies delivered to local hospitals, orphanages, and the Uzhgorod Society of People with Disabilities “Optimists.” A Corvallis medical delegation of five oversees unpacking and distribution of the 20-foot and 40-foot containers.
- Uzhgorod sends an official delegation to Corvallis to establish cultural ties and exchanges in the visual and performing arts. One member of the delegation (Repkin) exhibits his paintings at LaSells Stewart Center. (Vice Mayor and former Minister of Culture of Uzhgorod; painter; director of the philharmonic)

1996

- Medical and dental aid delivered to Uzhgorod Children’s Hospital and Uzhgorod School for the Deaf.

- The Uzhgorod Youth Volunteer Club is established with 32 active members, each of who works on a team once or twice a week in hospitals, library, etc. Most also “adopt” an old person through the Red Cross and help weekly with shopping and cleaning. All club members and many of their friends also work in the Peace Park each Saturday in Fall and Spring.
- **Zita Bathori-Tartsi** travels to Corvallis to help plan the 1996 summer youth exchange funded by Sister Cities International.
- Uzhgorod Mayor leads delegation of six to Corvallis, with focus on city and business interests.
- Uzhgorod State University physics professor travels to OSU to further develop OSU - USU ties.
- Corvallis Gazette-Times and CSCA fund a photo exhibit by a G-T photographer who accompanied the 1995 exchange to Uzhgorod. Following a one-month library display, the photos are available for school and CSCA exhibits.
- 1996 Summer Youth Exchange, partially funded by a grant from Sister Cities International (USIA funds), focuses on volunteerism and leadership. Five youth and one adult from each city perform volunteer work in both cities and attend the state high school leadership camp in Salem.
- Corvallis-Uzhgorod chosen as one of five sister city pairs to receive grant funding from Sister Cities International (through USIA) for a school-to-school linkage program in 1997.
- ATU2 established to gather supplies and send a second medical aid shipment to Uzhgorod.

1995

- Orthopedic surgeon from Uzhgorod spends one month in Corvallis learning to use the arthroscope and observing orthopedic practices including joint replacement. The trip is funded by CSCA and local doctors.
- Corvallis Mayoral delegation to Uzhgorod focuses on sister city relations, establishing university ties, and vegetable seed production.
- Youth exchange under the direction of Carol Paulson and funded by USIA again emphasizes volunteerism. Ten students and one adult from each city are exchanged, and two additional Ukrainian adults are trained as leaders for an Uzhgorod youth volunteer association. This organization is successfully established in September 1995.
- Corvallis receives the *1994 Best Single Project Award* from Sister Cities International for the Aid to Uzhgorod medical project.
- Corvallis Altrusa makes contact with the newly formed Uzhgorod Altrusa. CSCA and Altrusa agree to work together in developing the Altrusa Links.
- CSCA works with AFS and USIA in bringing 3 Uzhgorod high school students to area schools. CHS, CV, and Philomath High School each receive one Uzhgorod pupil for the 1995-96 academic year. Funded by USIA (FSA).
- Corvallis orthopedic surgeon travels to Uzhgorod to train orthopedists in use of arthroscope. He delivers orthopedic equipment to Municipal Hospital and antibiotics to Children’s Hospital.

1994

- Working delegation from Uzhgorod studies government, education, and medicine in Corvallis.
- CSCA, Benton County Medical Association, and Corvallis residents send 27 tons of donated medical equipment as part of the first shipment of humanitarian aid known as ATU (Aid to Uzhgorod). Supplies, and pharmaceuticals to the Uzhgorod municipal hospital system. Medical representatives travel to Uzhgorod to oversee distribution. Hearing aids and batteries delivered to Uzhgorod School for the Deaf.
- Grant proposal for expanded youth exchange funded by USIA. Ten high school students and one adult mentor from each city perform volunteer work in Corvallis and Uzhgorod.

1993

- Corvallis Sister Cities Association sends first official non-government delegation to Uzhgorod to perform medical needs assessment, study current agricultural system, and establish reliable electronic mail communications.
- **Peter Gres** volunteers to handle communications in Uzhgorod, providing a fast and reliable E-mail link between the sister cities.
- USIA funds the OIRD Agribusiness proposal, in which 13 Americans travel to Uzhgorod and 15 Ukrainians participate in internships at OSU in 1993 and 1994. CSCA's first summer youth exchange is held with partial sponsorship by Sister Cities International, Readers' Digest Foundation, and several local grants. Five high school students from each city perform volunteer service in Corvallis and Uzhgorod.

1992

- Uzhgorod Mayor **Emil Landovsky** leads a delegation to Corvallis. On March 27, Mayor Landovsky and Mayor **Vars** sign the official sister city agreement in the City Council Chambers.
- The Uzhgorod delegation identifies food processing as a top priority in Transcarpathia. OSU Office of International Research and Development (OIRD) prepares a grant proposal to U.S. Information Agency centered on agri-business and small business internships.
- Sister Cities International formally recognizes the Corvallis - Uzhgorod sister city relationship on May 14.

1991

- IRS grants 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status to CSCA on April 1.
- First Presbyterian Church Choir includes Uzhgorod in its USSR tour.
- Uzhgorod State University student arrives in Corvallis for an academic year at OSU sponsored by OSU and Corvallis Sister Cities Association.

1990

- Corvallis Mayor **Charles Vars** leads the first delegation to Uzhgorod, where he and Uzhgorod Mayor Emil Popovich sign a "Protocol of Intent to Establish Relations."
- Pen pal project established, linking elementary pupils from Uzhgorod School #3 with Harding and Fairplay pupils in Corvallis.

1989

- Uzhgorod, Ukraine chosen as most desirable sister city possibility in the Soviet Union. Corvallis City Council endorses the relationship.
- CSCA files Oregon Articles of Incorporation on September 6.

1988

- Nucleus of Association formed and research begun on cities in every republic of the USSR.

SUMMARY: 1990 to June 2003 (from Carol Paulson)

[Since] From the beginning of our relationship in **1990 to June 2003**, 581 Corvallis and Uzhgorod residents [have] traveled to their Sister City

372 Corvallis residents [have] visited Uzhgorod: 276 adults, 102 youth
209 Uzhgorod residents [have] visited Corvallis: 161 adults, 50 youth

Many people have been more than once, so actual trips were:
455 Corvallis to Uzhgorod
228 Uzhgorod to Corvallis