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## Reception on the occasion of the Independence and Unity Day



Address by Ambassador Dr. Božo Cerar.



Since 2005, on December 26, Slovenia has celebrated its Independence and Unity Day, commemorating the proclamation of the official results of the independence plebiscite in 1990.

However, it was on December 23, 1990, that 93.2% of eligible voters came to the polls to declare with an overwhelming majority of voters (95% of those





Ambassador Dr. Cerar and his family welcomed guests.



The reception was attended by local Slovenian community members and their families.

who voted and 88.5% of all eligible voters) that Slovenia had six months after the plebiscite to conduct disassociation talks with the other Yugoslav republics and persuade foreign countries to grant recognition to the new state. The plebiscite took place following the first multi-party election in Slovenia in April of 1990.

To honor the 23rd anniversary of the independence referendum, Ambassador Dr.

Cerar and his wife, Dr. Martina Skok, hosted a celebratory reception on December 23, for the members of local Slovenian community and their families, many of whom contributed to Slovenia being recognized as an independent country by the U.S. and international community.

In his address, Ambassador Dr. Cerar underlined the importance of the plebiscite, held twenty-three years ago, which led to the declaration

of independence on June 25, 1991, and on December 23, 1991, exactly one year after the referendum, to adoption of the Constitution of the Republic of Slovenia, its first constitution as an independent and democratic state. On the occasion of the reception, Ambassador Dr. Cerar and his family wished all the guests a merry holiday season and a happy new year 2014.



Slovenian food and wine were served on the joyous occasion.



Ambassador wished all the guests a happy new year.



# A Look Back at the Year 2013 at the Embassy

Another remarkable year at the Embassy of the Republic of Slovenia in Washington was marked by high-level visits, bilateral meetings, consultations, anniversary celebrations, numerous cultural and public diplomacy events, lectures, business events and tourist promotions.

In **January** 2013, the embassy added to its staff. Mr. Gorazd Renčelj took the four-year post as Economic Counselor. The Ambassador and Mrs. Kirn attended the 57th inauguration of the President of the United States as he took his oath of office. The New York Times published an article on Slovenian vibrant wine culture, and Slovenian designer Sanja Grčić presented her brand Firma and the collection Inside Straight in New York City. As a part of the Embassy Adoption Program, Turner Elementary School students visited the Slovenian



Turner ES students visited the embassy in January.

Embassy. In cooperation with Things To Do, Inc., The Young Professionals Cultural Society, the embassy organized a Slovenian cultural evening, which featured

Slovenian food, wine, art works, and a musical performance by the Slovenian saxophone quartet 4Saxess. With the support of the Slovenian Embassy in Washington, the Slovenian community in New York marked the Cultural Day by organizing a concert by the same quartet at St. Cyril's Parish in New York. The musicians also held a concert in Salisbury, Maryland and Hartford, Connecticut.



Concert by 4Saxess quartet.

At the beginning of **February**, Ambassador Roman Kirn addressed more than 150 guests of the International Club of Annapolis. On the occasion of the Slovenian Cultural Day, the Embassy of Slovenia hosted a reception featuring the opening of the exhibition by the painter Jože Svetina. In February, the Embassy of Slovenia also hosted a group of students and their mentor from Kent State University in Kent, OH, who represented Slovenia at the 28th Annual Model NATO Conference, and a group of undergraduate students from Marymount University in Arlington, Virginia, who visited the Slovenian Embassy as part



Ambassador Kirn addressing Intl. Club of Annapolis.

of their preparation for their visit to the country. With the support of the Embassy of Slovenia and the Consulate General of Croatia in New York City, the Czech Cultural Center in New York hosted a multimedia project titled Resistance of the Earth by Slovenian saxophone player and composer Igor Lumpert. A cultural event that featured a presentation titled The Structure of Life, by young Slovenian artists Meta Grgurevič, Luka Uršič, and Jaša Mrevlje, was held at the embassy. The Embassy of Slovenia was also among the exhibitors and participants in the International Bazaar within the Open House and the Embassy Exhibit event, held at the Catholic University of America (CUA), giving the CUA community an opportunity to



Resistance of the World in NYC.

learn more about what Slovenia has to offer.

In early **March**, when Slovenian singing group Perpetuum Jazzile toured the U.S., the Embassy of Slovenia actively participated in the organization of its concert at the Listner Auditorium in Washington, the embassy also participated in the promotional event International Night at Kensington Parkwood EC School in Maryland. Lehigh University's students from PA visited the embassy prior to their research trip to Slovenia in May. At the event of La Grande Fête de la Francophonie, held annually at the French Embassy during



Structure of Life project.

Astronauts Sunita Williams and Akihiko Hoshide visited the Embassy of Slovenia and held lectures that were attended by representatives of ESA and by E.U. scientific counselors. Architect Špela Videčnik from OFIS arhitekti of Ljubljana shared her insights about architectural and urban design in the AIA New York office. Embassy staff met with Slovenian basketball star Goran Dragič, who plays for the Phoenix Suns, and a sports event in support of Slovenian boxer Dejan Zavec was organized in New York. Ambassador Kirn attended the 2nd Annual Diplomatic and International Sustainability Event initiated by D.C. Mayor Vincent Gray. He also attended



Marymount University students at the embassy.

the Month of Francophonie, the embassy prepared a presentation of Slovenia's culture, food and tourism. At the E.U. Film Festival in Chicago, the Slovenian film production was represented by the films "Tango Abrazos" and "The Parade". The embassy staff prepared a lecture on bilateral relations between Slovenia and the United States, and on the work of diplomatic missions and consular posts to students of the Law Faculty in Ljubljana. Within the Embassy Adoption Program, the embassy organized a lecture on Slovenian culture, customs, and traditions for students at the Turner Elementary School.



PJ at Listner Auditorium.

the celebration of the Slovenian community in Bethlehem, PA, on the occasion of St. Joseph's Day. On March 25 and 26, 2013, Ambassador Kirn paid a visit to Houston, Texas, where he met with businessmen and leaders

of Greater Houston Partnership. The Ambassador, visited the Texas Medical Center, the NASA facility, and held a lecture for students of Martel College at Rice University. In Slovenia, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the U.S. Embassy in Slovenia; and the American Chamber of Commerce—AmCham Slovenia organized a workshop on "How



Ambassador Kirn in Bethlehem, PA.

to Do Business in the U.S.," and the National Assembly endorsed the new cabinet of Slovenia's first female Prime Minister, Ms. Alenka Bratušek, thereby completing the formation of the 11th Slovenian government.

On **April 3**, Director-General for Bilateral Relations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia, Dr. Marjan Cencen, opened the Honorary Consulate of the Republic of Slovenia in Querétaro, Mexico, headed by the Honorary Consul Danijel Muršec. Prior to the opening,



Astronauts Sunita Williams and Akihiko Hoshide lectured at the embassy.





Embassy staff met with Goran Dragič.

political consultations were held between Slovenia and Mexico. In Slovenia, the National Assembly of the Government of Slovenia confirmed the New Commission for Slovenians Abroad as being responsible for monitoring the state of affairs of autonomous Slovenian minorities living in neighboring and other countries. On Friday, April 12, 2013, Major General H. Michael Edwards, Adjutant General of Colorado, and fourteen senior military staff members of the Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs paid their



Colorado National Guard annual visit to the embassy.

annual visit to the Slovenian embassy. Ambassador Roman Kirn, jointly with the Defense Attaché, Colonel Ladislav Graber, met at the Pentagon with U.S. Air Force General Frank Gorenc, who is also Slovenian. At the initiative of honorary consul Nelson, Slovenia participated in the International Film Festival

in Kansas City with the movie "Bread and Circuses", and -- as traditionally -- in the European film festival Disappearing Act V in New York with the film "Feed Me with Your Words". On April 20, Ambassador Kirn participated in a round table at Columbia University, organized by the Society for Slovene Studies, which in 2013 celebrated its



Finance minister Čufer in D.C.

40th anniversary. While in New York, the ambassador also attended an event launching Slovenia Vodka, made from Slovenian buckwheat. On April 24, the Embassy of Slovenia in Washington, and Polimat Centre of Excellence in cooperation with the Embassy of Kenya hosted a high-level event featuring a presentation and discussion of cutting-edge biopolymer projects in medicine, agriculture and waste management. Slovenian Finance Minister, Dr. Uroš Čufer, and the Governor of the Slovenian central bank, Marko Kranjec, paid a visit



Conference with POLIMAT.



NATO Fest in Norfolk took place in April.

to Washington to attend the annual spring meeting of the World Bank Group and the International Monetary Fund. Ambassador Roman Kirn, presented on Tuesday, April 30, in Georgetown, Guyana,



Ambassador Kirn got accredited at CARICOM.

his credentials to the Secretary General of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), Ambassador Irwin LaRocque.

At the festival of Eastern European cinema held in California, the SEE Fest, the film "Feed Me with Your Words" was screened. In cooperation with the Embassy Series organization, the Embassy of Slovenia held, in the beginning of **May**, a concert by the Slovenian violinist, Anja Bukovec. Also in May, Slovenian guitarist Mak Grgič gave a performance at the Strathmore Mansion Music Room in Maryland. Both concerts were part of a joint program of the European Cultural Month, in

which the E.U. member states prepared for the seventh time the traditional event of the E.U. Open House. Approximately 3400 visitors visited the embassy on the day of the Open House and enjoyed music and dance performances by Miha Alujević, Mojca Majcen and Alex Gergar, tasted Slovenian wine by Pullus and Slovenian food made by Rocky Mountain Potica, Ažman



EU Open House at the embassy.



Anja Bukovec's concert.

Meats, and Bajda sisters. During the day, promotional films about Slovenia were screened, the SNPJ Heritage Museum prepared an exhibit of traditional Slovenian folk objects and costumes, and a special program for children took place. The Slovenian-run fund for demining and mine victims assistance, ITF Enhancing Human Security, marked its 15th anniversary with a reception at the ambassador's residence on Monday, May 13. Between May 19 and 26, Sunita Williams, a NASA astronaut of Indian-



15 years of ITF.

Slovenian descent, born in 1965 in Euclid near Cleveland, visited Slovenia for the third time. On May 20-21, Ambassador Roman Kirn visited Roseville, Minnesota, to open a new Honorary Consulate, led by a prominent businessman, Mr. Miro Medved. At the end of May, Slovenian Minister of Defense, Roman Jakič with a delegation, paid a visit to Colorado to mark twenty years of cooperation between the Slovenian Armed Forces and the Colorado National Guard within the State Partnership Program.



Opening of honorary consulate in MN.

Slovenian Director-General for Bilateral Relations, Dr. Marjan Cencen, discussed bilateral political, economic, development and defense cooperation with his counterparts in the U.S. Administration.

In **June**, Deputy Chief of Mission, Ondina Blokar Drobič, joined the Slovenian community in Connecticut for the 100th anniversary of the Slovenian

parish of the Holy Cross in Fairfield. The embassy hosted a sale exhibition of works by local artists to fund the non-governmental organization Sukyo Mahikari. At an event, held at the Embassy of Bahrain,



Defense minister Jakič in CO.

the embassy presented a range of possibilities for student exchanges with Slovenian universities. On June 21, the 17th traditional flag-raising ceremony on the occasion of the National day of the Republic of Slovenia took place on the Payrow Plaza at the City Hall in Bethlehem, PA. At the reception to celebrate the National Day, the exhibition Identity of Slovenia - Design for the country, presenting the work by Miljenko Licul, was opened.



Global young leaders at the embassy.

At the reception marking the National Day, organized for the Slovenian community in New York City, an exhibition of works by the painter Jože Svetina was opened and a performance by



saxophonist Jan Kus enlivened the occasion.

Groups of high-school students participating in the Global Young Leaders Conference, which took place in Washington, last summer, visited the Slovenian Embassy in June and **July** to learn about the country and its role in the international community. Slovenian high school students



Senator Harkin addressed guests for the National Day of the Republic of Slovenia.

took part for the third time in the U.S. Department of State's Youth Leadership Program with Central Europe (YLPCE), organized by the Meridian International Center. In Slovenia, for the third successive year, the Government's Office for Slovenians Abroad sponsored the annual homecoming event for Slovenians living abroad, entitled "Welcome Home" and the Government Council for Slovenians Abroad met in a session. U.S. representatives on



Reception in New York.

the council are Mr. Ivan Kamin (NY) and Mr. Milan Ribič (OH). Also in July, the visiting lecturer from Slovenia at the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at CSU, Mr. Luka Zibelnik, offered a new online class, Slovenian 101.



Slovenian students at Meridian.

In Pennsylvania, the traditional SNPJ Slovenefest took place. Slovenia together with EUNIC partners was presented at the Artscape, America's largest free arts festival in Baltimore, MD. A



Farewell to Ambassador Kirn at the U.S. Department of State.

small group of individuals who participate in the Employment Readiness program at the RCM of Washington visited the embassy at the end of the month. On July 31, the Embassy of the Republic of Slovenia said its good-byes to Ambassador Roman Kirn and his wife Jovana, as they concluded their four-year tenure in Washington. Prior to their departure, Mr. and Mrs. Kirn also met with President

Barack Obama and Secretary of State John Kerry in order to thank them for their cooperation and friendship.

In **August**, Ms. Margit Pugh, who provided consular assistance, ended her tenure at the embassy and left Washington. In the last week of the month, the Mladinsko Theater from Ljubljana, Slovenia, performed in Washington its production of the solo-drama "Nijinsky's Last Dance". The play, starring Primož Bežjak as the legendary ballet dancer Vaslav Nijinsky, who joined the Ballets Russes in 1909, was presented by the Cultural DC in connection with an exhibition at the National Gallery of Art.

The changes in Europe in the wake of the economic and financial crisis were in the focus of the 8th Bled Strategic Forum, the annual conference that took place in Bled, Slovenia, on **September 2–3**. On September 4, 2013, the new Ambassador of the Republic of Slovenia to the United States. Dr. Božo Cerar, arrived in Washington. On Tuesday, September 17, the newly appointed ambassador presented his Letter of Credence to U.S. President Barack Obama. Ambassador Dr. Cerar took part on Thursday, September 12, 2013, in an event when, for the eighth time, ambassadors



Nijinsky's Last Dance at Mead Theatre.

and designates from Austria, Bulgaria, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Malta and Slovenia read poetry by their respective nation's poets in both English and their native languages. Organized by the Woodrow Wilson House, the 28th Annual Kalorama Tour took place on Sunday, September 15th. This year's tour, as usual, featured also the Embassy of Slovenia, where over 400



Ambassador Dr. Božo Cerar presenting his credentials to the U.S. President.

visitors could taste some of the traditional Slovenian food, such as Carniolian sausage and the typical Slovenian festive dessert "potica", a walnut roll cake. On Monday, September 16, the former President of the Republic of Slovenia (as well as former U.N. diplomat and professor of international law) Dr. Danilo Türk, held a lecture at the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies. During his visit to the U.S., the third Slovenian president also attended meetings at the U.S.



Kalorama Tour.

Department of State and the National Security Council, and delivered a lecture at Columbia University, as well as at Harvard Law School, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, and Suffolk University. In the last



Euronight.

week of September, Slovenian President Borut Pahor and Foreign Minister Karl Erjavec as well as Ambassador Dr. Cerar traveled to New York to take part in the 68th regular session of the United Nations General



The annual meeting of honorary consuls.

Assembly. Slovene archaeologist Ivan Sprajc lectured at the Honorary Consulate in Mexico City and, in Kansas City, Kansas, the fifth annual Slovenefest took place. On September 27, the European Union member-state embassies in Washington organized the EuroNight for the sixth year in a row. The festival was visited by more than 1700 guests. Next day, the Embassy of Slovenia participated in

the Global Languages and Cultures Festival, organized in Washington by New York University in partnership with the Global Language Network.

As traditionally on the first Friday of **October**, the Embassy of Slovenia, on October 4, 2013, hosted the annual meeting of consuls general and honorary consuls of the Republic of Slovenia in the United States. On Saturday, October 5, as part of the celebration of the 10th anniversary of Washington area's Slovenian Union of America's Branch 108, the Megaron Chamber Choir from Ljubljana, Slovenia, performed at the Embassy of Slovenia. During its U.S. tour, the chamber choir also performed in Cleveland, OH, Bethlehem, PA, Salisbury, MD, and Annapolis, MD. Slovenian Finance Minister Uroš Čufer and the new Governor of the Slovenian Central Bank, Boštjan Jazbec, paid a visit to Washington to attend the annual meeting of the IMF and the World Bank. The Investment and Development Conference U.S.-Slovenia Business Bridge took place in Ljubljana, Slovenia, on October 17-18, 2013, attended by more than 800 participants. On Friday, October 25, the Embassy of Slovenia joined the Oneness-Family School in Chevy Chase, Maryland, for the annual



Megaron concert and 10 years of SUA Br. 108 celebration.



celebration honoring the United Nations Day. From October 27 to October 30, the FRU-FRU Puppet Theatre from Ljubljana, as part of the Kids Euro Festival, entertained its audiences with the show My Umbrella Can Be a Balloon, Too! The sixth annual Kids Euro Festival, organized by E.U. member-states is one of the largest performing arts festivals for children in the U.S.



Fru Fru Theatre at Kids Euro Festival.

On October 30, together with Women's Foreign Policy Group, the Embassy of Slovenia hosted the journalist, author, and foreign policy analyst Robin Wright, who discussed the topic of "What's next in the Middle East: Iran, Syria and Egypt".

On **November 5**, Ambassador Dr. Cerar spoke at the Summit on Cross Continental Cooperation organized by the Institute for Cultural Diplomacy. Later that week, he met with the Secretary General of the Organization of American States



Event with Women's Foreign Policy Group.

(OAS), José Miguel Insulza. Defense Minister Roman Jakič paid a visit to Washington, D.C. on November 11–13 where he met with the U.S. Secretary of Defense, Chuck Hagel. On November 18, the seventh



Ambassador with OAS Secretary General Insulza.

military-political consultations between the U.S. and Slovenia took place at the U.S. Department of State. Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Political-Military Affairs, Gregory Kausner, and Director General for Global Issues and Multilateral Political Relations at the Slovenian Ministry of Foreign



Slovenian business delegation at Americanallia in Mexico.

Affairs, Ambassador Dragoljuba Benčina, chaired the dialogue. A Slovenian delegation attended the international trade forum Americanallia 2013 in Guadalajara, Mexico. On November 14, the Slovenian American Business Association (S-ABA) held in Cleveland, OH, a business conference titled **Slovenia: Business Opportunities**



Nejc Kuhar and Mak Grgič at the National Gallery of Art.

for U.S. Companies. The Embassy of Slovenia, together with the tourist agency Imperial Travel from Slovenia organized in Washington a presentation of Luxury Slovenia brand. As part of the year-long Embassy Adoption Program, Slovenian embassy officials on November 6, 15, and 25, as well as December 5 visited Janney Elementary School, where they presented Slovenian culture, customs and history, and also served the traditional Slovenian breakfast. As part of the first season of the EUNIC Washington Concert Series, Slovenian percussion duo Drumartica performed at the Embassy of Austria in Washington. Playing on two marimbas and a vibraphone, the musicians presented music from different corners of Europe. On Wednesday, November 20, the Embassy of Slovenia hosted members and guests of the Young Professionals in Foreign Policy community, who were



Duo Drumartica performs the first concert of EUNIC Concert Series.



Defense Minister Jakič meeting with U.S. Defense Secretary Hagel.

addressed by Ambassador Dr. Cerar. The ambassador also spoke on November 22 at the ASEES (The Association for Slavic, East European, & Eurasian Studies) Annual Convention held in Boston, MA. In cooperation with the International Club of DC, the Embassy of Slovenia organized a cultural evening, where more than 100 attendees could enjoy a buffet of Slovenian food, as well as listen to the music of two of Slovenia's promising



S-ABA conference organized by Consulate General in Cleveland.

young guitarists, Nejc Kuhar and Mak Grgič. Later that week, the two distinguished musicians also performed at the National Gallery of Art. On November 29 and 30, Ambassador Dr. Cerar paid a visit to Cleveland, OH, the city with the largest Slovenian community in North America.

Between November 30th and **December** 8th, the Mexican city of Guadalajara hosted the annual International Book Fair that also featured the acclaimed

book *Necropolis*, written by Boris Pahor, a Slovenian writer, who celebrated his 100th birthday on August 26, 2013. An excerpt from *Necropolis* was published also in the U.S. on the Storyville



Traditional Slovenian Breakfast at Janey ES.

app. On Sunday, December 8th, Ambassador Božo Cerar welcomed at the embassy the alumni of The National Capital Area Chapter of the Fulbright



Ambassador Dr. Cerar lecturing to Young Professionals in Foreign Policy.

Association for their annual Christmas gathering. On Thursday, December 12, the Phillips Collection hosted a concert of music by a Slovenian composer Dušan Bavdek, performed by



Writer Gabriela Babnik at the Library of Congress.



Reception for DC chapter of Fulbright alumni.

Academia Ljubljana, group of professors at the Ljubljana School of Music. The next day, professors Dušan Bavdek, Matej Zupan and Franc Avsenek also presented their work at George Washington University. Within the 2013 AFI-EU Film Showcase in Silver Spring, MD, a Slovenian film *Dual* (*Dvojina*), directed by Nejc Gazvoda, was screened. On Tuesday, December 17, the Embassy of Slovenia and the European Division at the Library of Congress organized a literary event, at which the acclaimed Slovenian author, Gabriela Babnik, presented her novel, *Dry Season*. Colonel Ladislav Graber, ended his posting as the Defense Attaché of the Republic of Slovenia in Washington at the end of December 2013 and on December 23, Ambassador Dr. Cerar and his wife, Dr. Martina Skok, hosted an annual reception for the local Slovenian community to celebrate the Independence and Unity Day of the Republic of Slovenia.



Independence and Unity Day Reception.



## Colonel Ladislav Graber Ends his Posting in the U.S.

Colonel Ladislav Graber, ended his posting as the Defense, Military, Naval and Air Attaché of the Republic of Slovenia in Washington at the end of December 2013. Colonel Graber served at the post for more than four years as the Slovenian Defense Attaché with jurisdiction including United States, Argentina, and Canada. Prior to his latest assignment, Colonel Graber served as Deputy Chief of Verification Center of Slovenian Armed Forces, as a member of the General Staff of the SAF at the Department of International Cooperation and the Slovenian Intelligence Service.

During his posting in Washington, Colonel Graber successfully steered Slovenia's efforts to strengthen cooperation with the United States in pursuing the common defense security objectives, especially in the Balkans, Afghanistan and at the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). He

especially endeavored to enhance the collaboration between the Slovenian Army (SV) and Colorado National Guard (CNG) within the framework of the State Partnership Program.

Colonel Graber's efforts added significantly to the friendly relations and established partnership

between Slovenia and the U.S. The staff at the Embassy of Slovenia sincerely thanks Colonel Graber for his participation in and contribution to recognition of Slovenia in the United States, and wish him and his wife, Ms. Ana Graber, all the best in their future endeavors.



Colonel Graber receiving recognition from Brigadier General Peter J. Byrne, Director of Joint Staff at Colorado National Guard in presence of Slovenian Minister of Defense, Mr. Roman Jakič, in November 2013.

## HONORARY CONSULS

## Baking Christmas Potica at the Tennessee Consulate

The Slovene Consulate in Tennessee sees introducing Tennesseans to Slovene culture and vice versa as a major part of its mission. The baking of the Christmas potica roll cake in Slovene-American homes may well be one of the most enduring traditions from the "Old Country." The recipes handed down through the generations on ancient butter-stained scraps of paper are remarkably similar across the American continent.



Gerry Moll, Shelley Mangold and Diette Crockett roll out the sweet, lemon-flavored dough on a floured cloth.



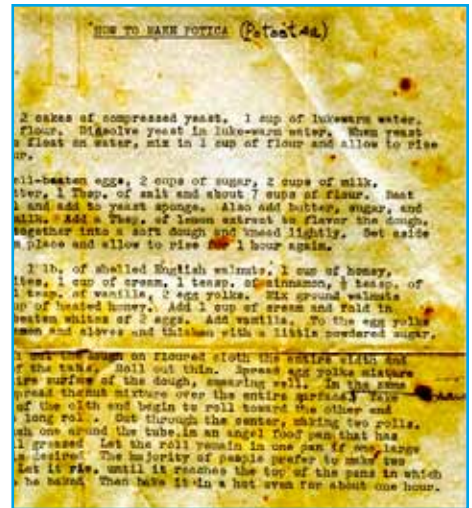
Lydia Pulsipher and Maja Djorcev show the team how to spread the walnut-honey filling.

Recently in Knoxville, Tennessee members of the local community were invited to the Slovene consulate to participate in the elaborate ritual of baking two kinds of Potica: walnut-honey and tarragon-cottage cheese. From start to finish, the process took five hours, including the time for the dough to rise; but Slovene wine was served!

The story of potica in America might be interesting to compile. If you would like to contribute to that story, contact Lydia Pulsipher at [lpulsiph@comcast.net](mailto:lpulsiph@comcast.net)



A long day of baking is rewarded by slices of potica and some excellent Slovene organic wine.



In 1965, Dr. Jose Mihelič copied this recipe from his sister Karolina for his daughter Lydia on an old manual Underwood typewriter.

## TO DO LIST

### SlovenSki Calendar for 2014 Ski Season

#### **SlovenSki Weekend**

Where: WINDHAM MOUNTAIN, NEW YORK  
When: Friday, January 31 to Sunday, February 2, 2014.  
Slovenian GS Ski Race championship on Saturday.

#### **SlovenSki trip #1 (Presidents Week)**

Where: SUN VALLEY, IDAHO  
When: Monday, February 17 to Sunday, February 23, 2014.  
Total cost \$1,495.00 from LaGuardia, NY to Boise, Idaho.  
6 nights lodging at Sun Valley; 3 bedroom condominiums, 5-day ski pass.  
Kids under 15 stay and ski FREE.  
Call for air info from other airports: Cleveland, Toronto, Chicago

#### **SlovenSki trip #2**

Where: ASPEN / SNOWMASS, COLORADO  
Top of The Village 3 bedroom Condominiums, ski in, ski out.  
When: Monday, March 24 to Sunday, March 30, 2014  
Snowmass is home of 2014 Nastar Nationals Ski Championships during last week of March.

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