

Holy Transfiguration Cathedral Newsletter

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108th Annual Meeting

On Sunday, 14 November, we will hold our Annual Parish Meeting a few minutes after the end of the Divine Liturgy. We meet in the Temple to remind us that this meeting is an extension of our Eucharistic Assembly.

Our meetings are well known for their brevity but we have important business this year, so, to hold to our 70 minute norm, we will have to submit most of our reports in writing.

My report and that of the Senior Warden are included in this Newsletter so you can read them well in advance of the meeting.

We will, also, adopt our budget and elect new Council members.

All communicant members of our Parish who contribute regularly to its support may vote and hold office. We consider a solid turnout to be a must this year and, as always, have arranged the meeting to avoid conflict with the Broncos.

Diocesan Meeting

Again this year, Fr. Joseph, Fr. Eugene and Daroah Powell represented the Parish at the Diocesan Assembly which was held in L. A. this year, during the first week in October. Fr. Joseph was reelected to a three year term as Dean of the Rocky

Mountain Deanery. Next year's meeting will be held in Colorado Springs which will allow more of our people to participate.

ST. NICHOLAS CELEBRATION

On Sunday, 5 December, we will celebrate St. Nicholas with small gifts for our children and the Parastas for Magda Blagaila's departed family members. This is also the date of the Sisterhood's Holiday Bake Sale.

CHRISTMAS DAY CELEBRATION

Once more we invite our people to bring some holiday food to the 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Liturgy and to join us for a little Pot Luck Holiday Luncheon following the Service. This is always a nice way to share with our Brothers and sisters in Christ before returning to our Homes for Holiday festivities.

POT LUCK HOLIDAY BENEFIT

Once more, we will celebrate the Sunday after Christmas with a benefit Pot Luck Holiday Luncheon for our Romanian Children's Memorial Fund. This Christmas Party, which follows Liturgy and our Children's Holiday Program includes the distribution of candy and gifts both to our own children and to the adopted Romanian Children living in the Denver area. This year, we are especially

proud of our children who have raised hundreds of dollars to make Christmas brighter for Orthodox children abroad through their Christmas Stocking Project.

OUR OLD RUS CHRISTMAS PARTY

will be held on Sunday 9 January. This is a benefit for the Kaluga, St. Nicholas' orphanage.

Alter Society Meeting

The Sisterhood met in mid October and adopted a budget. Matushka Maria, Becky Schilling and Michelle Dyl were reelected President, Vice President and treasures, respectively. Carol Elizabeth Montealegre was elected Secretary. The ladies have begun composing their own news page which is included with this newsletter.

Thanksgiving Collection

Please use your special Thanksgiving envelope to make a generous thank offering so that we may all end the year rejoicing in our having met all of our financial obligations for the year and starting 2005, "In the black".

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION

The Slaterpaul Architectural Firm is now about half way through the evaluation of what will be required to assure the preservation of our historic Temple. When this process has been completed, we will be invited to apply for a matching grant from the State Historical Society. to carry out the plan.