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Canada-Ukraine Parliamentary Program 2003

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these people did give us the opportunity

Ukrainian Students Volunteer For Tulip Festival

A group of CUPP interns who didn't start work in their MP's offices during our first week in Ottawa, volunteered for the Canadian Tulip Festival, held in Ottawa from 1 to 19 May 2003. By helping out with landscaping and arranging tulip pots and beds, and decorating tents for meals, Ukrainian students felt part of the Ottawa community, and made their small but important contribution to the organization of the Capital's annual Tulip Festival.

CUPPers Visit Japanese Embassy

On 13 May 2003, Ukrainian CUPP students visited the Embassy of Japan in Ottawa. Among the issues discussed during the meeting with two Japanese diplomatic officers were Canada-Japan relations, the Japanese economy, and international trade and politics.

Program Director Gives Dinner For CUPP Students

Ihor Bardyn, director and founder of the Canada-Ukraine Parliamentary Program and well-known lawyer in Toronto, gave a dinner reception for CUPP participants and coordinators at Friday's Roast Beef House in Ottawa on 9 May 2003. After the dinner, Ukrainian students put on a mini talent show and enjoyed themselves dancing and chatting away with friends. According to those present at the party, it was terrific and everyone had a great time. CUPPers extend their thanks to Ihor Bardyn for a wonderful evening.

CUPP Interns Spend Amazing Time In Toronto

From 16 to 21 May 2003, Ukrainian interns visited Toronto and spent one of their most exciting weeks in Canada. The program in Toronto included a festive dinner in the Ukrainian restaurant "Golden Lion," given by the CUPP organizers, a tour of the CN Tower, the tallest building in the world, a fascinating trip to Wonderland, a reception at Dr. George and Oksana Rewa's home, where the students met with some outstanding Ukrainian Canadians, among them Maria Shkambara, President of the World Women's Organization, and Markian Shwec President of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress in Toronto. The amazing week in Toronto culminated in a trip to Niagara Falls, where the Ukrainian students admired some breathtaking sceneries and magnificent views.

Ukrainian Orthodox Priest Meets CUPP Students In Ottawa

Rev. Ihor Okhrimchuk of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church met with the CUPP students in Ottawa on 23 May 2003. After an evening service, Fr. Okhrimchuk and some parishioners invited the students for a small pizza party, dur-

ing which various religious and other important issues were discussed.

Ukrainian Students Throw a Varenyky Party In Algonquin, Ottawa

On 25 May 2003, Ukrainian students in Algonquin Hotel Apartments in Ottawa pulled off a national Ukrainian cuisine party, making more than 300 delicious varenyky (potato dumplings). The Ukrainians wore elegantly embroidered shirts and played Ukrainian folk songs and games throughout the evening. A good time was had by all!

Walt Lastewka, MP, Encourages Young Ukrainians To Think About The Future

Walt Lastewka, Member of Parliament for St. Catharines, Chair of the Standing Committee on Industry, Science and Technology and the Liaison Committee, met with a group of CUPP interns in the Centre Block of the Canadian Parliament on 28 May 2003. Mr. Lastewka spoke on various important issues such as Canada-Ukraine relations, the Canadian economy, Canadian trade with the USA, and the Canadian politics and system of government. He emphasized the role of education, drawing vivid examples from his own life and career, and encouraged the CUPP interns to continue asking questions about anything they find important in their lives. With his impressive public speaking skills, Mr. Lastewka captivated his audience and encouraged the CUPP interns to stop and reflect upon their future as an integral part of Ukraine's future. After a short break for pizza, organized by Mr. Lastewka's assistants Linda Hooper and Xiomara Surprenant, the meeting continued and Mr. Lastewka took questions from the Ukrainian interns.

US Ambassador To Canada Meets With Ukrainian Students

The Ukrainian interns in Ottawa went on a tour of the US Embassy in Canada on 30 May 2003. Apart from walking around the building, opened in Ottawa by the former US President Bill Clinton, and learning about Canada-US relations, the Ukrainian students met with Paul Cellucci, former governor of Massachusetts and currently Ambassador of the USA to Canada. The ambassador spoke on Canada-US cooperation and friendship and also touched upon some sensitive issues such as the conflict in Iraq and US international policy.

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Sen. Andreychuk Talks Inspirationally To CUPPERS

"Always keep your options open and never give up," said Hon. Sen. Raynell Andreychuk in her highly inspirational and thought-provoking speech during a meeting with CUPP interns on 2 June 2003. Sen. Andreychuk acquainted the Ukrainian students with the role of the Senate in the Canadian political system, outlined senators' duties and responsibilities and concentrated on the challenges with which the Senate is currently confronted. She also spoke on international law, human rights, refugee camps in Africa, ethnic minorities, the women's movement and other important issues, drawing the most vivid examples from her amazingly successful political career. At the end, Sen. Andreychuk answered numerous questions and wished everyone determination and perseverance in pursuing their most ambitious goals.

CUPP Interns Visit DFAIT

Andreas Weichert, deputy director, Ukraine, Caucasus and Central Europe; John McNeish, desk officer for Ukraine/CIS; and Michael Reshitnyk, senior trade commissioner, all three of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) of Canada met with CUPP students on 3 June 2003. During the meeting, Reshitnyk briefed the students on economic and trade relations between Canada and Ukraine and enlarged on such areas of cooperation as agriculture, oil and gas sector and construction. McNeish reflected on the geopolitical situation in the world and focused on the role of Ukraine, Canada, the USA as well as the UN and NATO in international relations. Among other issues discussed were the investment climate and problems potential Canadian investors face in Ukraine, environmental problems, the post-war situation in Iraq, Canada-Ukraine diplomatic relations, projects of medical equipment supply to Ukraine and Canada-US relations.

CUPPERS Sing Along With Plast

Oleh Kandyba and Plast members in Ottawa hosted an evening of song and merriment for the Ukrainian interns, in the local Ukrainian Orthodox Church on 5 June 2003. Sitting around a symbolic campfire, CUPPERS and Ukrainian Canadians enjoyed themselves singing Ukrainian songs and chatting about events and experiences at home and in Canada.

CUPP Students Visit Trade Policy And Law Centre

On 9 June 2003, the CUPP group met with Prof. Laura Ritchie Dawson of the Centre for Trade Policy and Law (CTPL) at Carleton University in Ottawa. Prof. Dawson, who recently returned from Ukraine, addressed some im-

portant issues of Ukraine's ailing economy and focused on possible solutions. She also informed the group on CTPL's activities and projects and answered many provocative questions from Ukrainian students.

Renowned Canadian-Ukrainian Architect Meets With CUPPERS

"You CAN do it," said Bill Teron, a world famous architect of Ukrainian origin, in his very emotional and motivating speech to CUPPERS on 9 June 2003. Teron, designer, builder and owner of the Town of Kanata, a suburb of Ottawa, met with Ukrainians in his house and spoke about his fascinating achievements, impressing all with his tremendous stamina and charisma.

CUPPERS Learn About CIDA

Bill Singleton, Director of Economic Policies Division at the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), made an insightful PowerPoint presentation on CIDA's role and activities for Ukrainian interns in Ottawa on 11 June 2003. He enlarged on CIDA's three important priorities such as promoting market economy, ensuring good governance for developing countries and Canada-Ukraine relations.



volunteerism doesn't mean "no fun"

“If we want a better Ukraine for our future then we’d better get involved”

Interview with Mr. Walt Lastewka, MP for St. Catharines, Ontario

By Roman Ivashkiv, CUPP’03
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Mr. Walt Lastewka’s intern



Mr. Walt Lastewka was born on 11 October 1940 in Montreal, Quebec. In 1963, Mr. Lastewka graduated from Ryerson Polytechnical Institute. In 1981, he completed the University of Western Ontario Executive Program. Lastewka first joined the Liberal Caucus in 1993, and won a third vote of confidence from the people of St. Catharines in 2000.

Mr. Lastewka was appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Industry in July 1997 and re-appointed to the same position in July 1998. Currently, Mr. Lastewka is Chair of the Standing Committee on Industry, Science and Technology. He was elected to this position in February 2002. He has also served on the standing committees for Environment, Foreign Affairs and International Trade and was Vice-Chair of Industry for several years prior to becoming Chair. In 1996, he chaired the Prime Minister’s Task Force on Commercialising Government Science Research. Previously he had served as Chair of several Caucus committees: Economic Development, Federal Government Renewal, and Auto. He was appointed Caucus Advocate for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) in March 2000.

Mr. Lastewka has had a long association with the automobile industry. His appointment in 1986 as Manager of the St. Catharines Engine Plant was the culmination of a career with General Motors of Canada that began in 1963. He retired from that job in 1992.

- Mr. Lastewka, you have been involved with the Canada-Ukraine Parliamentary Program for a number of years already. What are your impressions of the CUPP? What is the most important thing that you try to teach (or convey) to your interns? Do you think that the experience CUPP students get here is important for Ukraine?
- First of all, the outline of the program is very effective. The question is whether the implementation of the program is effective. The students that work in an office of a Member of Parliament should have a thesis to write or to react to various items in the office since in this way they gain experience. The understanding that I have is always to assign a project to a student. Looking at the project, I want to make sure that when the student gets back home in Ukraine, he can use the information from that thesis to help Ukraine be stronger. I always reinforce with the students that while they are here in Canada they have a lot of things at their disposal to use. I encourage them to take advantage of everything that is available and to get all the resources that they can. So that when they go home they can use the resources back home and if then need extra information they can always call us back or email at the office and ask for them. If a student doesn’t know what’s available here, they will not be able to ask for it when they get back home. The top priority for the students is to have some learning that they can later use to their benefit. When they are having intelligent discussions with politicians, business people and educators in Ukraine, they need to be able to challenge them to different heights because of what they learned here. That’s why it is so important to learn as much as you can here and understand the Canadian way of life so that you can compare it to the life in Ukraine.
- You apparently follow the events in Ukraine closely. What steps do you think this country should take to overcome the

economic stagnation and build a civil democratic society?

- First and foremost, Ukraine needs to look back at its Constitution. People are people and no one should be above the law. No one. The law should be made in Ukraine for everyone. Whether you are the president of the country, or the farmer in a small Ukrainian village, you have the same laws. For example, having deputies who are immune from the law does nothing to assist ordinary Ukrainians.

Secondly, the institutions must look at not only educating students, but putting students to work in their country and using their skills. It’s not how many students graduate, it’s what happens to those students. For example, there’s no use in 1,500 business graduates, if only ten students decide to be small business people. Part of the education should be to educate 1,500 students and help at least one third of them to be involved in business and as a result to improve the economy of Ukraine.

- Could you elaborate on Canada-Ukraine trade relations, in particular, the problems that Canadian investors face when they want to do business in Ukraine
- The problem with Canadian and Ukrainian trade is confidence. There’s a lack of confidence by Canadians that when they send their goods to Ukraine, they will be paid. We have situations when companies in Ukraine and Canada make a deal and the next day, there’s a fax sent from Ukraine, which says “we don’t like a deal anymore, we are out.” The ethics of making a contract still have not been learned in Ukraine. If Ukraine doesn’t improve on it soon, not only will it cause a lot of problems for Canadian companies shipping to Ukraine, but will also decrease the Canadian desire to buy Ukrainian goods. If a company is having trouble sending some of their goods to Ukraine, their atti-

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tude is very negative to buying goods in Ukraine. The more people are turned off from buying from Ukraine, the less purchasing there will be from Ukraine. That's not good for the economy.

- *What, in your opinion, has to be changed in the Ukrainian administrative system for a more effective approach to governing the country?*
- First of all, I did mention that the deputies have to be within the law. There also needs to be more transparency and openness in Ukraine. The media have to be responsible to the people of Ukraine, not to the legislators of Ukraine. They must have freedom to report what they think is actually happening in Ukraine. To me this is a very big hurdle that Ukraine will have to go through. And finally, Ukraine needs proper elections of officials and proper elections promotion. That has to be held with confidence and openness. People need to have trust that the votes cast are the votes counted.
- *How many times have you been to Ukraine and what impressed you most of all when you visited?*
- I have been to Ukraine five times. I've been in Ukraine with the Prime Minister, the Trade Minister, and the Foreign Minister and I represented Canada at the 10th anniversary. I have been on the west and east sides of Ukraine. What I have noticed is that Ukraine is very rich in soil and very rich in people wanting to do things to make it better in Ukraine. I believe that if the people had an opportunity to work in Ukraine and were rewarded without some official taking ten per cent and another politician taking 20 per cent and everybody else trying to get free money, the earning power would really go up in Ukraine.
- *You contributed a lot to the organization of Mr. Yushchenko's visit to Canada and hosted a reception dinner for him and Canadian MPs and senators in Ottawa. What are your impressions of Mr. Yushchenko as the leader of Ukraine's largest opposition group and of the visit in general?*
- I think Mr. Yushchenko wants to be able to portray himself as a politician that will work for the good of the people. I am not sure whether his forcefulness on making issues understood by the electorate is strong enough. In my view, he has a long way to go before the election is called. So timing is everything. He has to do the build-up of organizing, getting his message across and then being more forceful on his three or four messages that he wants to communicate to people and then get ready for the elections. I believe Ukraine is going to have some good debates on who their next president is going to be. So Mr. Yushchenko has to prepare and be ready to give exact answers. For instance, when students ask a question, they expect a straight answer. They want to know exactly what his plan is. I believe what will happen in the next 6-9 months, is his experience with the electorate will be that they want a clear answer and he is going to have to give it to them.

- *You were re-elected 3 times to the House of Commons and definitely have great experience in running an election campaign. What would you do in the first place if you were running for the Ukrainian Parliament?*

- First of all, I have a success factor that I always believe in. It's details, details, details. Details to understand who your electorate are, details on the issues of the electorate, and details of how to get the people to come out to vote and vote for you. It's a very simple formula, it works but it also requires a lot of hard work. You need to start planning early for the elections. You also need to put an organization in place, a campaign cabinet. I have 36 people on my campaign cabinet. Everybody should know their work in detail from the start to the finish. What is going to happen 12 months before the election, ten months before the election, eight months before the election, all the way down to the elections. After all, what's going to happen on the election day. Whatever we are going to do on the election day to get out the vote, our vote, we call people and talk to people and even sometimes take them to the votes. Now in Canada it's taking the people out to vote, because we are taking our vote for granted too much. In Ukraine, because you have had free elections only for 12 years and only a few elections, the people tend to come out to vote, but often they destroy their ballots. The Ukrainian people need to be convinced that you vote for somebody, not against somebody and that you do not vote people out, you vote people in. And I think that a lot of work has to be done to achieve this. But the students have a role to play here. The students need to be looking at themselves and say **"If we want a better Ukraine for our future then we'd better get involved."** So the students of Ukraine are probably going to play the biggest role at these next elections, if they want to and they should. They should organize and organize strong as the Ukrainian youth for a better Ukraine.
- *This newsletter is published for the CUPP participants, organizers, directors, Canadian MPs, sponsors and benefactors. What would you like to wish these people? Do you have any other comments that you would like our readers to see in this issue?*
- It's important to note that we are falling a little bit behind on our organization of our students. We need to know in advance who our students are and when they are coming. We need to know the schedule in advance as well. And it should be no surprise. I think some things in terms of organization were done last-minute and we are not doing things properly by doing them last-minute. I often have to remind people over and over to tell us the dates in advance. We should also have the meeting with all the students at the beginning, at the middle and at the end to do an improvement job. It's called continuous improvement. By not doing it this way, we become a little bit lackadaisical. Therefore, we need to make some improvements here.

I also want to impress on the sponsors the importance of this program, of having students every year and the importance of students when they go back home. For example,

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when I go to Kyiv or Lviv, I meet with the alumni of the students in one of the universities. Whether it's five or 25 people. And I've had meetings with the alumni in Kyiv for which people had to come in train for 5 hours to be with me for an hour and a half to exchange and update. We need to strengthen our alumni. So I am going to encourage our people this year that our alumni lists need to be brought up-to-date. Alumni need to be communicated with, because they are the ones who can form a strong youth movement in Ukraine. So I hope that the Ukrainian students who were here this term can talk about how to keep in touch with all the alumni.

In addition, I would want everybody to take a good look at the assignment that people had this year. Each of those assignments should be put in a package with everybody else's assignment so that students could read the assignment of all the interns, rather than only their own ones.

- Mr. Lastewka, thank you very much for the interview and wish you all the best in your work.

could cost you a position. In Canada, the power of administrative rules is much stronger, which guarantees more certainty in preserving work places and makes communication easier.

An air of mystery in the Ukrainian Parliament covers many things. The process of approving solutions has a shady character. Even seemingly inconsequential details testify to this. Whereas parliamentary passes in Canada are worn on top of one's clothes and everybody can see the status of an individual, in Ukraine, passes are hidden in pockets. While attending the sittings of the Ukrainian Parliament is a big problem and not every parliamentary pass gives the right to do so, almost everybody can visit sessions in the House of Commons. The legislative process is much more *transparent* in Canada. For instance, you can find the records of almost any committee meeting on the parliamentary website, while in Ukraine this is not possible.

The *closeness* of Ukrainian politics is partly explained by the fact that the Members of Parliament in Ukraine are often businessmen who come to the Ukrainian Parliament to lobby on behalf of their own economic interests and to strengthen their businesses.

In Ukraine, politics is a way of earning big money, a specific

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- you your life. In this
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- Another important
- thing that needs to be
- pointed out is the *Ca-*

The Canadian House of Commons and the Ukrainian Parliament

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Since I am a student majoring in political science and had an internship in the Ukrainian Parliament before CUPP, I'd like to share several impressions about the political system of Canada in comparison with the Ukrainian one. This article by no means claims to be a contrastive analysis, but just some interesting notes and observations.

First at all, what impressed me after I visited the Canadian House of Commons on the first day of the internship was how *open and simple* in communicating the Canadian officials were. The assistants in the office where I was interning address Mr. Bill Blaikie, MP, simply Bill and it sounded absolutely normal.

On the other hand, in the Ukrainian Parliament you must be circumspect communicating with people. You should select words carefully and think about the tone of conversations. Communication in the Ukrainian bureaucratic system is in fact an art one should master. In the Ukrainian Parliament I used to observe how my previous boss, deputy head of one of the parliamentary departments, put "an iron face" and gave laconic and stringent instructions to his inferiors. On the contrary, he spoke in a self-deprecating manner to his own boss and paid him numerous compliments. Sometimes he was even a little nervous after talking to his boss in his office. This only testifies to the instability of our officials' tenures, caused by frequent rotations of authorities and the general culture of communication. In Ukraine, you should adjust to the situation and bow to superiors because your boss's whim

Canadian political culture, which differs drastically from the Ukrainian one. For instance, when I asked my MP's assistant how often bills are diverted by the Senate, he said it happens very rarely. Why? The reply was it would be badly perceived by the public if a non-elected body interfered too much in the legislative process. Incidentally, there is no reason for Senators to be too concerned over some negative perception of their actions by the public since they are appointed for permanent tenure till the age of 75. This demonstrates a high level of *civil responsibility* of Canadian politicians which is much more developed, than in Ukraine.

Even their behavior is different from that of Ukrainian politicians. The committee hearings in Canada really demonstrate a professional approach to solving problems and tackling different issues. Meetings are held in the presence of experts, NGO activists, government officials and representatives of the opposition. In this way, problems are studied in detail, different controversial opinions and arguments are accounted for and a comprehensive solution is approved. Observing the legislative process in the House of Commons everybody can conclude that this government is much more *productive* than the Ukrainian one.

The *opposition* keeps certain means of control over the government that doesn't give it a chance to relax. The primary way of doing this is 'question periods' where every day members of the Government answer questions of member from the opposition. In addition, 20 days in a year are allocated for the opposition to form the agenda of debates in the Parlia

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ment.

Responsibility is closely related to the *power of tradition*. In this case I don't mean a tradition as a decoration of the legislative process inherent for the Parliament of Canada, but an unwritten rule with the status of law. For instance, a member of the Government should simultaneously be an MP, although the law does not envisage this. There were even cases when people were appointed as ministers without an MP's mandate, but with a prospect of being elected in a short period of time, lost their positions in the government after being defeated in the elections. So laws alone don't have legislative power, but so does tradition. On the contrary, Ukrainian law is like a commodity, which could be bought, sold or ignored.

In general, Ukrainian *politics* are much more interesting than Canadian politics, because it includes many "behind the scenes" trends and more elements of mystery. Ukrainian politics is more intriguing for a *political analyst* than Canadian politics. But Canada has well-developed, civil and responsible policies which don't exist in Ukraine. Canadian *policies* are much better and beneficial for *ordinary citizens* in comparison with those in Ukraine. If Ukrainian politicians had some of the features of their Canadian colleagues, life in Ukraine would be much more prosperous.

Kurczak expressed her sincere thanks to the many people with whom she had the good fortune to work with over the last five years of her Presidency, and she wished her successor all the best as he takes over the helm of LPC(O).

Then on behalf of the LPC(O) Constitutional and Legal Affairs Chair, Brian Nichols proposed amendments to the LPC(O) Constitution to strengthen the way Liberals work together and to be proactive to ensure that the state of affairs in the Liberal Party is on solid foundation. One of the important suggestions put forward was to add one more regional centre to the five existing provincial regions.

During the AGM, my attention tended naturally to focus on the excitement of the political campaigns, and the Liberal University Courses on *Financial Planning and Budgeting, Human and Physical Resources for Your Campaign, and Creating a Long Term Plan for your Riding Association*. Everybody had an opportunity to win some cool Liberal merchandise, meet friends, and have fun at the hospitality suites at the *Nights of Wisdom, Cheers to Sheila, Akaash's Hospitality Suite* and the other parties. The CUPPERS had learned how the political party machinery functions in the Canadian electoral system. It was a simple and flexible resource that began with a look at Canada's parliamentary system of government, and some of the corner stones in Canada's electoral history. Among the other didactic occurrences at the meeting were the Leadership Forum

 The year 2003 marks ten years that the Liberal Party has been in office in Canada. This decade has ushered in an era of unprecedented prosperity for Canada. Under a Liberal government, Canada ex-

panded its considerable knowledge, innovation, and research capacity. At the same time it has strengthened the Canadian safety net based on the equality of all citizens, and has continued to promote the Canadian values on the world stage. If we ask Canadians to compare the Liberal platform for the country's future development, with those of other parties, the Liberals will give Canadians a stronger country, a more successful economy and a better society. Such directions in policy were displayed on June 6-8, 2003 at the Annual General Meeting of the LPC(O) at the Ottawa Congress Centre where CUPPERS'03 had a chance to witness the race for LPC(O) President.

The prologue to AGM began with the registration of delegates and the introduction of the candidates for the Presidency of the Liberal Party of Canada (Ontario). They were, Marva Wisdom, President of the Guelph-Wellington Federal Liberal Association and Mike Crawley, Executive Vice President of LPC(O). Following the playing of the National Anthem, and the guest remarks from Deputy Prime Minister John Manley, the Previous LPC(O) President, Brenda Kurczak, talked to the stage and opened the ceremonies. Brenda Kurczak was the first woman and the first Northerner to be elected President of LPC(O). First elected to the position in September 1998, she will be succeeded by Mike Crawley who won the election.

Renewal Starts Here

Sideline to the Annual General Meeting of the Liberal Party of Canada (Ontario)

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Forum Policy Plenary which examined the major challenges the country is currently facing. One and all was welcomed to attend a

plenary on the challenge of *Multiculturalism, Sustainable Development, and Canadian Economic Landscape, etc.*

Following up, I'd like to refer to the LPC Leadership Debates between the three Prime Minister candidates from the stage of the Congress Hall where the audience was engaged in discussion about Canada's place in the world and the future development of the country. Sheila Copps, Paul Martin, and John Manley argued about the long-standing questions moderated by the Senator Serge Joyal and the ambitious goals that have shaped Canadian Foreign Policy over the years. These questions remained central: protecting the security of the nation and contributing to global security, increasing prosperity in Canada and promoting the values and culture that Canadians cherish, to help make a better Canada and a better world.

I was only an observer at the AGM, but it was enough to get a notion of how the electoral process within a political party is carried out in Canada and to feel satisfaction and from confidence that the electoral campaign was fair as the Executive Board Meeting confirmed it during the closing ceremonies.

In this way, the RENEWAL has already started!





Remembering Ramon John Hnatyshyn

Governor General: 1990-1995
Appointed: December 14, 1989
Sworn In: January 29, 1990,
 Ottawa
Born: March 16, 1934, Saskatoon,
 Saskatchewan
Died: December 18, 2002

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and hosted a rock concert to promote education.

In addition, Governor General Hnatyshyn was interested in environmental issues and was an avid supporter of the performing arts. He established the Governor General's Performing Arts Award and the Ramon John Hnatyshyn Award for Voluntarism in the Arts, to honour lifetime achievement in such fields as drama, music, and patronage of the arts.

Ramon Hnatyshyn demonstrated his commitment to education through a number of key initiatives. He supported the Governor General's International Award for Canadian Studies, established by the International Council for Canadian Studies, Governor General Ramon John Hnatyshyn Education Fund administered by the University Hospital Board and the Foundation of Saskatoon, as well as the Ramon John Hnatyshyn Award for Law with the Canadian Bar Association.

In his speech during the celebration of the 125th anniversary of Confederation, Governor General Ramon John Hnatyshyn expressed his vision for an inclusive Canada, a vision that still

rings true today: *"Let each of us do what we can to ensure that all our brothers, all our sisters, our young and our old, our people of all colours, our people of different languages and religions and cultures, feel that they belong."* This should always be borne in our minds. Remembering Ramon John Hnatyshyn, all CUPPERS'03 commit to memory his devotion to the country and the work he did on behalf of all Canadians. He touched the hearts of all. Even though we didn't meet with Governor General Ramon John Hnatyshyn, we will always remember this outstanding man!



Each year participants of the Canada-Ukraine Parliamentary Program have an opportunity to meet a remarkable personality, the Right Honourable Governor General Hnatyshyn. But, regrettably, not this year...

On December 18, 2002, Canada's 24th Governor General, a modest and warm-hearted grandson of a Ukrainian immigrant family who rose to become a Governor General passed away. His grandparents had been illiterate immigrant farmers, one of many Ukrainian families that settled in the Canadian prairies in the 19th century. While most Canadians changed their names to sound more "Canadian", the aspiring Progressive Conservative politician joked "he changed his name to Hnatyshyn to get elected in Saskatoon West." The Ukrainian Community lost a rare individual who contributed a lot to the national development and identity. In recognition of his "outstanding contributions to the cause of Justice and Civil Liberties," Governor General Hnatyshyn received the Award of St. Volodymyr from the World Congress of Ukrainians in 1989. This article has been written in memory of the Right Honourable Governor General Ramon John Hnatyshyn who promoted diversity in society and supported the humanitarian movement.

Ramon John Hnatyshyn is famous for the openness he brought to the office of Governor General and for his support of the arts in Canada. During his mandate as Governor General, Rideau Hall became recognized as a remarkable tourist destination. He encouraged the expansion of public tours of the residence and grounds, and invited all Canadians to "Come to Rideau Hall" to enjoy their national heritage. In 1992, Hnatyshyn reopened Rideau Hall's skating rink to the public



Canada Wants Ukraine To Cancel Visa Regime For Canadians

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Canada wants Ukraine to cancel visa requirements for Canadian citizens, said Andrew Robinson, Canada's Ambassador to Ukraine, on 12 June 2003.

Ambassador Robinson called the current Ukrainian visa regulations outdated and added that Ukraine has to review its visa policy to become a free country. However, the ambas-

sador didn't mention Canada's intentions to simplify visa requirements for Ukrainian citizens.

Ukraine has already signed such an agreement with Poland. The two sides agreed that Ukrainian citizens will receive Polish visas free of charge while Polish citizens will be able to enter Ukraine without visas. Slovakia and Hungary have also given their consent for similar visa regulations with Ukraine.



Canada - Ukraine Relations

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Canada and Ukraine enjoy close relations, based on a solid historic foundation of more than 100-year-old Ukrainian immigration to Canada. The first Ukrain-

ian immigrants appeared in Canada on December 7, 1871. Since that day the relations between Canada and Ukraine have grown stronger and mutually beneficial for both countries.

On December 2, 1991, Canada became the first western country to recognize Ukraine's independence. Diplomatic relations between Canada and Ukraine were formally established on January 27, 1992.

In March 1994, the governments of Canada and Ukraine issued a declaration on the "Special Partnership" between Canada and Ukraine, which recognizes Canada's support for the development of an independent and prosperous Ukraine.

A Canada-Ukraine Intergovernmental Economic Commission (IEC) was established by a 1994 agreement on economic cooperation. The IEC works to improve Canada-Ukraine business relations and seeks ways to overcome obstacles to bilateral trade and investment. The IEC relies heavily on the involvement of the Canadian business community through working groups on agriculture, construction and energy.

The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) runs a large technical cooperation program in Ukraine, focused

in areas of governance structures, building institutional capacity, strengthening of civil society and enhancing nuclear safety. The most important CIDA's projects in Ukraine are the following:

SMALL BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN IVANO-FRANKIVSK (SBEDIF) Contribution: \$4,914,944

TRADE POLICY AND CAPACITY BUILDING IN UKRAINE Contribution: \$3,000,000

POLICY ADVICE FOR REFORM IN UKRAINE Contribution: \$6,880,000

CHERNOBYL SHELTER FUND Contribution: \$32,200,000

Canada supports the NATO-Ukraine Distinctive Partnership by providing language and peacekeeper training for Ukrainian military personnel and supporting the NATO-Ukraine civil emergency planning.

Apart from diplomatic relations and political and economic cooperation Canada supports and finances a lot of exchange programs that allow students and professors from Ukraine to study, work and intern in different Canadian organizations, universities, NGO's and the Parliament.

Special attention should be paid to the Canada Ukraine Parliamentary Program, thanks to which we are here. The Canada-Ukraine Parliamentary Program was established in 1991 and gives Ukrainian students an opportunity to work and study in the Canadian Parliament.

Paul Martin with CUPP'03 Coordinators...



...Halyna Zalucky



...Alexandra Zalucky

CUPP forever

By Anna Taranenko CUPP'03
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 It is so much true that without humour our life would be clueless. Being able to take a step back and look at the trouble issue from a different perspective is for sure not only a marvellous character trait, but also a life necessity. The fun-loving CUPP group knows no limits in polishing up their sense of humour and finding something to laugh at virtually in everything. It really helps us see our drawbacks and get rid of them as well as to re-evaluate our assets.

So no wonder that the birthday party we had this weekend was nothing but hilarious. Harry Potter and Little Red Riding Hood, Fred Flintstone and an Indian, an angel and a devil, an elf and Whiney-the-Pooh all met together at the party and made the Algonquin apartments hotel ROCK! At such moments, when you find yourself in a friendly atmosphere, surrounded by people who have become so close to you during the month and whose thoughts and aspirations are so similar to yours, you feel like saying, "Time, freeze!"

We all wish these happy instants lasted forever and we always remained the group of Canada-Ukraine Parliamentary



Program 2003. After all, we will stay this way! You know why? Because we want it and so we can do it. Those moments of friendship and blessed unity are going to be kept and cherished in our hearts forever.

Reflections After A Birthday Party

By Oleksandra Lyuta CUPP'03
Vasyl Stefanyk University in Ivano-Frankivsk,
Mr Dennis Mills' intern

 Having returned from today's party, I can't fall asleep. I can't even close my eyes, because I am so overwhelmed with different feelings.

I have heard lots of true opinions by our CUPP friends and understood once again how strange this world is. You know, I can't express all my emotions, but the only thing I want to say is that I am very thankful to God that he chose me to be here. In Canada I have found myself. At last, I have understood a small piece of this huge life. As one of the CUPPERS said at the party, "We must be tolerant, friendly and nice to each other." When he said this, I was gazing at my friends and everybody was listening carefully and contemplating the essence of what was being said.

Yes, we are born to do good deeds and it is so easy and rewarding that you don't want anything in return. Everybody wants to be happy, but how do we achieve happiness?

We have to build the wall of kindness that will separate us from the evil. We must create a new magnetic field of good thoughts, because they lie in the basis of reaching happiness.

And if we want to save all this, we must learn how to be patient, polite and how to get rid of our selfishness, and the main thing which I recently understood is to be afraid of nothing, because people, first of all, suffer from fear. Kindness is a special kind of spiritual energy that depends on the magnetic field of our thoughts. We must always remember that a good name, talent and real friendship can't be bought. Nobody knows the formula of happiness, but the formula of unhappiness is known to everybody. It is inability to save and appreciate what you have.

I really want to follow this formula, that's why I appreciate everything I have now. I want to express my wholehearted gratitude to everybody. Due to you I realize quite a lot of things. As Rustem Umerov said today, "We are all unique and we may learn something from every person." I completely agree. In every person there is something wherein I may learn from them thus becoming their pupil. I am happy to have such teachers and such friends. I don't know if I am a good friend, but I try to be. By understanding myself I want to understand others. I want to be all that I am capable of becoming.

Finally, I have understood the wisdom of life. It is respect, love generosity, honesty, humility, courage and humour. These are tough laws to live by, especially in this world, and yet we must.

We Are Half Way Through

By Polina Dyakova CUPP'03
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Ms. Jean Augustine's intern

 This article was supposed to be written when we were "half way through" the CUPP'03 program. However, for some unknown reason my inspirational muse arrived on the last night, before the deadline. Anyway... when a human being is in the middle of something, when time starts to fly faster and faster, when one has enough knowledge and experience to avoid mistakes, you pause, close your eyes and wish the moment stopped. We all try to slow down the time machine that is rushing towards the dreadful end. Unfortunately (or fortunately), this is a strange and amazing world, in which we live, where everything has a beginning and an end. That is enough about the end. I was actually going to talk about the beginning.

When I wish to catch the runaway moments, I look back towards the start. I remember the blonde blue-eyed elf-like girl who sat beside me in the plane, and a bunch of guys in the front, who were waking us up every hour with their loud yells and laughs. In one day we got acquainted with the most important sights of Ottawa, the history of Canada, and destinies of many Ukrainian Canadians. Our fabulous tour guide was Mr. Hordienko, to whom we all owe our deep gratitude.

Right after we arrived, we had to choose our roommates and settle in. I guess it was not just me who was a bit apprehensive, about our roommates for the next two months, especially, if you do not really know anyone. However, everything turned out to be a lot better than I expected. In our room (110), we formed a Kyiv-Donetsk-Crimea power alliance. Moreover, we became true friends. The only uncomfortable thing about our room was the fact that it was located on the first floor, which made it easily accessible to different sorts of scary creatures, who knock on the window, jump out at you and scare you to death.

We had about four or five spare days before starting our work at the Parliament. Some of us even got ten or twelve days to adjust to the new life. Those "lucky" ones who did not start work in the offices during the first week, had a chance to explore different museums, in particular, the National Gallery

of Art, volunteer at the Tulip Festival, and go on a tour of Ottawa University.

However, in a week all of us were busy. Expectation of getting involved in a new activity always makes you feel excited. Apart from some administrative paperwork, we received loads of intangible information every day by visiting question periods, committee meetings, and discussing various issues with our colleagues. Our internship gave us a unique opportunity to observe and understand the mechanisms of Canadian political system from the inside, to watch an open debate between the government and opposition, among other things. Our days were always full of meetings; during this month I attended more boardrooms that I have even been to in my whole life. During such meetings we had a chance to ask questions about Canadian system of

government, Canada-Ukraine relations, and other hot issues.

On Victoria Day weekend we visited Toronto. The two most terrific events of our trip to Toronto were the visit to Canada's Wonderland, and Niagara Falls. I believe it was one of the most overwhelming and exciting experiences in my life. Too bad, I lost my camera.

In addition to a fulfilling professional life and entertainment, we

developed really strong friendships with each other, and especially with our roommates. Almost every day we had discussions in our room on such topics as the meaning of life, God, personal relationships, the future of Ukraine, space law and voiced opinions that were quite different. I brainwashed my friends about my recent passion, "The Lord of the Rings", which some seemed to enjoy, while others apparently suffered from it.

To conclude my article, I would like to mention one very important thing. On account of the CUPP program we got a chance to interact with people of completely different views, backgrounds, and interests. As one of my friends aptly noted, this shattered, if not destroyed most of our stereotypes. This changed our worldview and we will never be the same again. Please remember that each of you has already made an incredible difference in another person's life.



There Are Moments In Life...

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There are moments in life, when everything seems to be so gloomy and sombre, when you think these are the darkest days in your life. You don't see anything



except dullness and sadness around yourself. But suddenly somewhere far away a small flame appears. You notice it and reach out for it. Gradually, this flame grows bigger and turns into a bright light. And your life changes. Sadness, loneliness and dullness disappear and only the light and hope continue to surround you. It is not just a general contemplation on life. Such was my inner state of mind when I received my invitation to participate in the 2003 CUPP program.

Since that time the feeling of despair and loneliness has vanished. I knew that this invitation would give me a new motive for making positive changes in my life. It gave me more self-confidence. I realized that I am worthy of something good, that I will prove to myself and the whole world that everything is in my own hands and that I can reach my goals.

However, apart from such joyful feelings that overwhelmed my soul, there was also apprehension. What if I don't get along with other interns, what if I am a "black sheep"? What will happen if I don't understand what I am being asked? My greatest fear was that I would not be able to get along with other students, this fear is the fear of being alone, to be a stranger. I didn't know what would await me in Canada, who my roommates would be, what office assignments I would receive and who my MP would be. The unknown is always frightening. Deep inside I was ready for the worst, but hoped for the best. As the saying goes, hope dies last.

Since the first days of my stay in Canada, however, my hope

has been growing stronger day by day. I met wonderful, sincere people, true friends, who would listen to you, share joys and sorrows, who would give everything to you without demanding anything in return.

My fellow interns, we're all so different and yet so similar. We're different because before coming to Canada each of us led their own life, about which nobody knew any details. We're different because each of us perceives things in their own way, because each of us has their own opinions and worldviews. We're similar because we have now found ourselves in the same predicament, in which everyone has to be independent, but at the same time be supportive of the others and be supported by the whole group.



The relationships in our group were established in a way that we all support each other, not only in terms of the housework and internship, but also emotionally. Perhaps, we don't notice it, but we help each other to overcome our fears, live through the dark moments, comprehend what is going on in our lives. We are all trying to change each other for the better.

For me, this time spent with you, my dear CUPPERS, is one of the brightest moments in my life. I have never seen such mutual understanding, sincerity, respect for a person as a unique human being. We have become a real team, in which everyone expresses their opinions but also listen to others. In our community everyone is not only concerned about themselves, but also about others and thus pushes them towards certain positive changes. Despite occasional conflicts and complains, we try to understand what others think and how they feel, and we calm down. Afterwards we remember this little episode of our long and eventful life and we rejoice that we have remained friends and overcome our negative emotions.

CATCH EVERY MOMENT OF WONDERLIFE!

Wonderland. It was something special. I have never had such an adrenaline kick and felt so happy. It was really good entertainment, but also, I don't know exactly why, it inspired some philosophical reflections.

I was observing the rides and attractions and thought, that life is somewhat similar. It begins so fast, like the roller coaster, that you tend to forget what you are doing and how you feel, because you know for sure the journey has just started. You are going up and you are enjoying it, but at the same time you are a little apprehensive that something might go wrong.

Then, upon reaching the peak, you begin the downward journey at an incredible speed, which depends on how high your previous peak was. And when you start enjoying this life-attraction the most, your train comes to a stop.

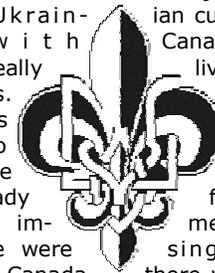
So what is the difference between the two? The difference is, that in Wonderland you can just have to stand in line to take another ride, but you can't do the same in real life. So, dear reader, catch every moment of "Wonderlife!"

By Oleh Krykavskyyi, CUPP'03
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Mr. Dan McTeague's intern

Sing-along With Plast

Undoubtedly, it was relaxation for the soul. We often sing Ukrainian songs, but it is more interesting to do this with Ukrainian people who trace their roots to Ukraine and enjoy and appreciate Ukrainian culture. Our evening with Canadian Plastuny was

interesting and full of really lively communication and shared stories. We shared with one another new songs from Ukraine and Mr. Kandyba, who hosted the event, taught us some of the old good songs that we already forgot. Everybody enjoyed the evening immensely. It was great, that while we were singing Ukrainian songs in the Capital of Canada, there was no communication gap between us whatsoever.



CUPPERS Enjoy

By Anna Taranenko CUPP'03
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“There is no reward without sacrifice” was the quintessence of Mr. Bill Teron’s speech to us on 9 June 2003, which along with the overwhelming evidence of his architectural genius impressed us to the utmost by its obvious and almost commonplace simplicity, spiced with an astounding force of psychological impact. Undoubtedly, not every day do you meet a person who worked on projects for Jacques Chirac, Pierre Trudeau, Jean Chretien and Paul Martin.

We were so amazingly fortunate to pull out this “lucky lottery ticket” and communicate with a legendary figure in Canadian, I dare say - Ukrainian (Bill Teron is the third generation Ukrainian in North America) and world history. As Mr. Teron aptly put it, history is “yesterday” and we should predict our future achievements.

His life story and career steps are an exemplary justification of how an individual who simply has no doubts about his strength, strives for pursuing his goal and holds the motto “I CAN!” as a guideline, can achieve the desired result. You do not even need to believe in the karma law, it is simply there, unquestioned.

Bill Teron was born on a small farm in Manitoba and did not know a word in English before he went to school at seven. Breaking an old lifestyle tradition of the Ukrainian families who immigrated to Canada, 16-year-old Bill didn’t put all his efforts to working on the land and maintaining a household, but proceeded with his studies.

Bill proved to be so exceptionally gifted and bright that soon

he became a graphic designer, an architect and then the creator of the Town of Kanata, one of the suburbs of Ottawa. In fact, this neighborhood epitomizes the outstanding deeds of this person, who apart from making a significant contribution to the development of his native country, also worked a lot on inventing new house-building technologies for third-world countries.

“It is not the one who knows the right answer, but the one who asks the right question who rules in the world of creativity,” said Mr. Teron. According to him, the trait that singles out a prominent personality is “thinking outside the box” and not being afraid to let your fantasy bring

what you give is what you get returned



you beyond the verge of conventional assumptions.

Each of us can make a difference and we become so acutely aware of it especially after such inspiring meetings as today, revealing for ourselves the untapped resources of vital energy.

The Varenky Party

By Natalia Kyyak CUPP'03
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It was one of the best Sundays I spent in Canada. All CUPPers together made more than 300 “varenky.” It took about four hours to make them and only half an hour to eat. I had the honour to be head-chef at this great event, called “The Year 2003 Varenky Party.” It was awesome!

After “a very difficult job of eating varenky” we sang Ukrainian folk songs. More importantly, many CUPPers wore the Ukrainian embroidered shirts and made it a real Ukrainian party in Algonquin Hotel Apartments in Ottawa.



CUPPERS Joke

Visitez l'appartement # 110

By Elina Shyshkina, CUPP'03
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Ms. Eleni Bakopanos's intern

Mesdames et Messieurs

Visitez notre petit, mais très confortable appartement # 110. Nos portes sont ouvertes pour vous 25 heures. Le petit déjeuner, le déjeuner et le dîner sont offerts gratuitement à vous par nos trois jolies hôtessees.

Dans notre bureau de renseignement vous pouvez toujours recevoir l'information concernant les rencontres, les parties, le nombre des participants, ainsi que la localité des certains membres de groupe. Les soirs, le club des discussions a lieu dans notre appartement. On discute les problèmes différents: des questions ou le meilleur d'acheter la nourriture à questions de philosophie vitale. Si vous avez besoin de quelque chose, comme par exemple la nourriture, la vaisselle ou la clé pour ouvrir l'ascenseur vous pouvez vous adresser immédiatement chez nous.

L'heure de votre visite dans notre appartement ne joue aucun rôle. Vous serez toujours le hôte éminent chez nous.

What Is The Price For Honesty?

By Olexandr Skulskyy
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Ms. Judy Wasylcyia-Leis' intern

Upon our arrival in Canada, we had to pass through customs at Toronto International Airport. There, we were asked to fill out a customs declaration. I looked through the declaration and understood that I was almost clear on everything. However, my attention was drawn to a question concerning food. I had two apples on me which I didn't have time to eat before and did not want to eat them in the airport. Many questions arose in my head at that moment. Should I declare just two apples? What problems would I have if I didn't declare these apples? What would happen if I declared them? Isn't it better just to throw those apples away? Finally, I decided to be honest. My parents told me: "Be honest and fair with people. It is always appreciated." So, following my parents advice I took a pen and wrote "food - *apples*; quantity - 2." Standing in line for customs control I was laughing at myself, because it really seemed stupid to declare just two apples.

So I came to the customs officer and handed in my declaration. "Some food," he asked. I felt like an idiot. "Apples, just two apples," I answered with irony. I thought the officer would laugh at me and think that I'm and idiot and would say "go ahead." But it was a mistake. Very shortly I was convinced that I had made a couple of mistakes: that did not eat the apples before the customs control; that did not drop the apples in the garbage; and finally declared the damned apples..

The officer asked me whether I had any weapons or chemical substances and asked me to show everything I had in my bags. After that, he confiscated the apples because of the quarantine.

So, wherever you go always remember the advice your parents would often give when you were a kid. "Be honest and fair with people. It is always appreciated."

Leon Kuzma visits CUPP interns in Ottawa →

Smile...

By Oleksandra Lyuta CUPP'03
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A smile costs nothing but gives much. It enriches those who receive it without making poorer those who give it. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it sometimes lasts forever. None is so rich or mighty that he can get along without it and none is so poor that he cannot be made rich by it. A smile creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in business and is the counter sigh of friendship. It brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad and is nature's best antidote for trouble. Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen, for it is something that is of no value to anyone until it is given away. Some people are too tired to give you a smile. Give them one of yours, as none needs a smile so much as he who has no more to give.

By Tetyana Nedashkovska
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Mr. Benoit Serré's intern

One day I was walking home from the office, having had one of those hard days. I was thinking what I would like to have for dinner and suddenly a beggar on the street said, "Do you have a loonie to spare?" "Sure," I answered, "but do you have change for a loonie?"

Once my Legislative Assistant shared a funny story with me. This happened at the beginning of her professional career. "After I was hired by an MP, I always wanted Maggy, my close friend, to work with me. Soon the assistant at my office got a job at the minister's office, and this opened up a chance for me to get Maggy involved in some office work. When my MP and I made the announcement about a job opening, dozens of applications were sent to our address. If I wanted my friend to work with me I had to hide all these messages, which I did. Later, my MP wondered, "Suzanne," he said "isn't it funny? We received only one resume, the one from Maggy. Am not I a good guy, that nobody wants to work for me? So Maggie was interviewed and got a job in my office".



CUPPERS Have Fun

Understanding marketing

Submitted by Yuriy Obriza
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You see a gorgeous girl at a party. You go up to her and say, "I am very rich. Marry me!" That's *Direct Marketing*.

You're at a party with a bunch of friends and see a gorgeous girl. One of your friends goes up to her and pointing at you says, "He's very rich. Marry him." That's *Advertising*.

You see a gorgeous girl at a party. You go up to her and get her telephone number. The next day you call and say, "Hi, I'm very rich. Marry me." That's *Telemarketing*.

You're at a party and see a gorgeous girl. You get up and straighten your tie; you walk up to her and pour her a drink. You open the door for her, pick up her bag after she drops it, offer her a ride, and then say, "By the way, I'm very rich "Will you marry me?" That's *Public Relations*.

You're at a party and see a gorgeous girl. She walks up to you and says, "You are very rich..." That's *Brand Recognition*.

You see a gorgeous girl at a party. You go up to her and say, "I'm rich. Marry me". She gives you a nice hard slap on your face. That's *Customer Feedback*

CUPP Anthem

By Antin Kushnir CUPP'03
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Dr. Ray Pagtakhan's intern

Ми приїхали в Онтарію, а погоди тут нема,
Розселилися швиденько хто по троє, хто по два;
Йдуть дощі і небо сіре – сонце, мов забуло нас,
Ти згадаєш Кримський берег, ти згадаєш ще не раз...

Ci-U-Pi-Pi, Ci-U-Pi-Pi – давайте скажем так, давайте скажем ні
Ci-U-Pi-Pi, Ci-U-Pi-Pi – давайте скажем так, давайте скажем ні

Внизу на першому поверсі (у Канаді ground floor)
Повставали на проході ми стажори-визитори,
Цю науку-колискову ще почуєм разів сто;
"А трусити тут не можна, – це цитата, – но-но-но!!!"

Гордієнко – то Руденко, він за батька тут усім:
"Йди вперед, go ahead, не спиняйся, не кремпуйся,
Не встидайся, роззувайся, не всміхайся, не дивуйся,
Ти на вихід просувайся – йди вперед go ahead (go ahead)"

Ci-U-Pi-Pi, Ci-U-Pi-Pi – давайте скажем так, давайте скажем ні
Ci-U-Pi-Pi, Ci-U-Pi-Pi – давайте скажем так, давайте скажем ні

В Україні молодь є, Україні живе (Є-є-є!!!)
Тож від Заходу до Сходу це твоє і це моє
Але ти не питай де та проходить межа,
Що розділяє нашу неньку по два боки Дніпра.
Ти можеш просто (москаль каже) взяти "самольот",
Тоді з Луганська ти до Львова долетиш без перешкод
Й куди би далі не закинуло тебе життя
Ти пам'ятай про своє origin, Ci-U-Pi-Pi – нова сім'я"

Ci-U-Pi-Pi, Ci-U-Pi-Pi – давайте скажем так, давайте скажем ні
Ci-U-Pi-Pi, Ci-U-Pi-Pi – давайте скажем так, давайте скажем ні

It is easy enough to be pleasant

When life flows along like a song;

But the man worthwhile is the one who will smile

When everything goes dead wrong.



Mr. President accompanied by a famous singer



Andriy BILOZIR
Mr. Peter Goldring's intern



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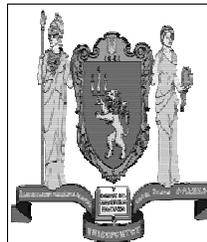
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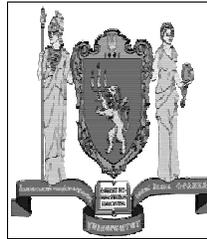


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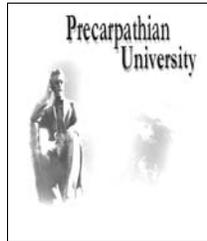
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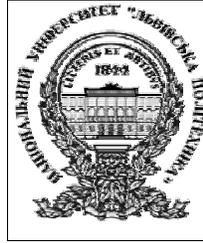
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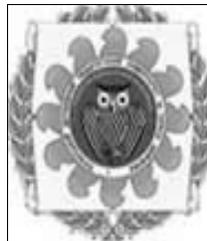
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