

# **The Ethnic Hoosier.....February 2005**

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(information about the International Festival, NCI, Indiana and the world)

### **President's message .....Zdravo/Greetings!**

I hope everyone had a pleasant holiday season, spent time with family and friends and maintained your caloric intake. The latter is always challenging at this time of the year.

An important priority for the Board and membership in 2005 is to increase the revenues of the International Festival. You will be provided an update on our current financial condition at the February 14 NCI meeting.

In this regard, please find attached to this newsletter the 2005 NCI Dues Statement for renewal of your cultural organization or individual membership. Your support is much appreciated to further the important goals of NCI.

Feel free to bring any appropriate treats for the NCI Valentine's Day Meeting!

Mir,  
**Josef**  
Josef M. Laposa  
President and Cupid-In-Residence

### **Did you know...**

The Sociedad Amigos de **Colombia** en Indiana (SADCO) will award eight \$1200 college scholarships for the 2005-6 academic year? Candidates must be Hispanic Hoosier high school seniors or college freshmen/sophomores. Contact Hector Perez, 317:845-1398.

The Consulate of **Mexico** in Indianapolis has a college scholarship program for Hoosiers of Mexican decent? E-mail [dvega@consulmexindy.com](mailto:dvega@consulmexindy.com) for info; deadline is 11 March.

In January, Indy-based Emmis Communications bought a radio station in **Slovakia**?

Former Craig Middle School **Spanish** teacher Pamela Valdés was named Indiana State Foreign Language Teacher of the Year for grades K-8 by the ISFL Teachers Assn.? Valdés is a teacher and World Language Coordinator at Christel House Academy.

The theme for the 2005 Spirit & Place Festival is "Moving & Staying"? It's a key topic for the various **international** and **ethnic** communities of Indiana. For more, go to [www.spiritandplace.org](http://www.spiritandplace.org), or call Judi Ryan, 317:278-3644. Dates are 4-20 November.

Ismalia "Izo" Ndiaye, an instructor at the Indianapolis Art Center, is a native of **Senegal**? His batiks have been exhibited in the United States, **Italy** and **Germany**.

The Tenth Annual **International** Studies Summer Institute for Teachers sponsored by Indiana University Bloomington will be held 10-23 July? For details check the website: <http://globalinstitutes.indiana.edu> or call 812:855-0756.

## **February's International Calendar for Indy...**

*For complete information on these and details about more international events, please go to <http://nationalitiescouncil.org/calendar.html>.*

- 3:** "Ireland" ("First Thursday" seminar). 12:30 p.m. Lower Level, University College, Indiana University-Purdue University in Indpls.
- 5:** "Year of the Rooster: New Year Celebration". 5 p.m. Carmel High School Cafeteria. By Indiana Association of **Chinese** Americans.
- 5:** Traditional **Mexican** folk dances by Ensamble Folklórico Indianapolis. 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.. Fort Wayne Museum, Fort Wayne.
- 6:** "Kinderkarneval" (**German**-style Mardi Gras party for children). 3-5 p.m. Athenæum /Das Deutsche Haus, 401 East Michigan Street, Indpls.
- 7, 14, 28:** "Beginning Ballroom and **German** dance lessons." Free. 7 p.m. German-American Klub, 8602 South Meridian Street, Indianapolis.
- 9:** "A Tasting o' the Mist: Annual Scotch Whiskey Tasting" of **Scottish** Society of Indianapolis. 6:30 p.m. dinner followed by program presented by Robert Pate of Bloomington. Sterrett Senior Center, Indpls.
- 10:** "Chinese New Year Celebration Dinner" co-sponsored by **Asian**-American Alliance of Indianapolis and Northwestern U. Club of Indpls.
- 13:** "Luther" (film; in German). 3 p.m. Free. Athenæum, Indianapolis.
- 14:** Regular meeting, **Nationalities Council of Indiana**. 7 p.m. Athenæum/Das Deutsche Haus, 401 East Michigan Street, Indianapolis. Information, Josef Laposa, president, 317:638-9510.
- 18:** **German**-style Cabaret. Indianapolis Liederkrantz, 1417 E. Washington.
- 19:** "**Chinese** New Year Celebration." White River Gardens, Indianapolis.
- 26:** "Educational Event" by Midwest Association of **Translators** and **Interpreters**. Information and registration, <http://www.matiata.org>.
- 27:** Regular meeting, (**Scottish**-American) Pipers Club of Hamilton County
- 27:** "Dublin's **Irish** Cabaret." 8 pm. Warren Performing Arts Ctr, Indpls.

Do you have an item for the next issue of *The Ethnic Hoosier*?  
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