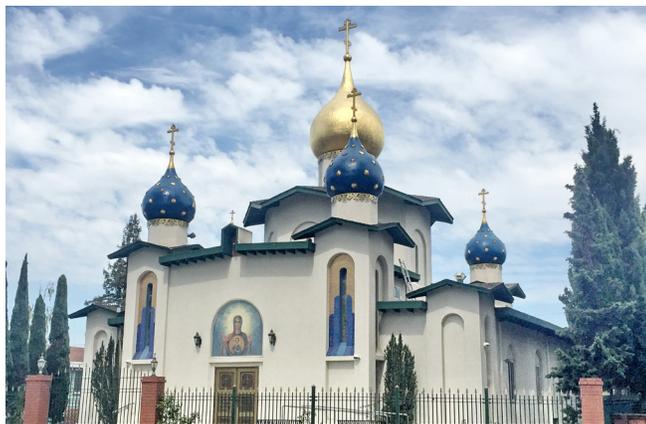


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Церковь Всѣхъ Святыхъ въ Землѣ Россійской Просѣвшихъ

MESSAGE FROM ARCHPRIEST STEFAN

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! May everyone rejoice in the bright joy of the Lord's Holy Resurrection. May this Paschal Holiday Season be treasured in your hearts and minds not just for Resurrection Day, or Bright Week, or only the Forty Days of the Paschal Season. Instead, may the Paschal Joy of the Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ reign in your hearts throughout the whole year and every day of your life!

Whether this occurs or not is due entirely on our efforts to prepare ourselves for the Holiday and treasure in depth the Good News in our hearts. Everyone who enters into the Feast on Pascha Day cannot help but feel the significance of this great occasion. The bright lights, the glowing candles, the triumphant singing, the lively movements of the clergy, the fragrance of the rising incense, the sound of ringing church bells, and, of course, the joyous proclamations of Christ is Risen! Indeed (Truly/Verily) He is Risen!

But for those who have fasted, prayed, repented, prepared their hearts through vigilance and the shunning of sinful deeds, plus growing their faith in God through God-pleasing deeds, a deeper more profound and humbling joy enters one's

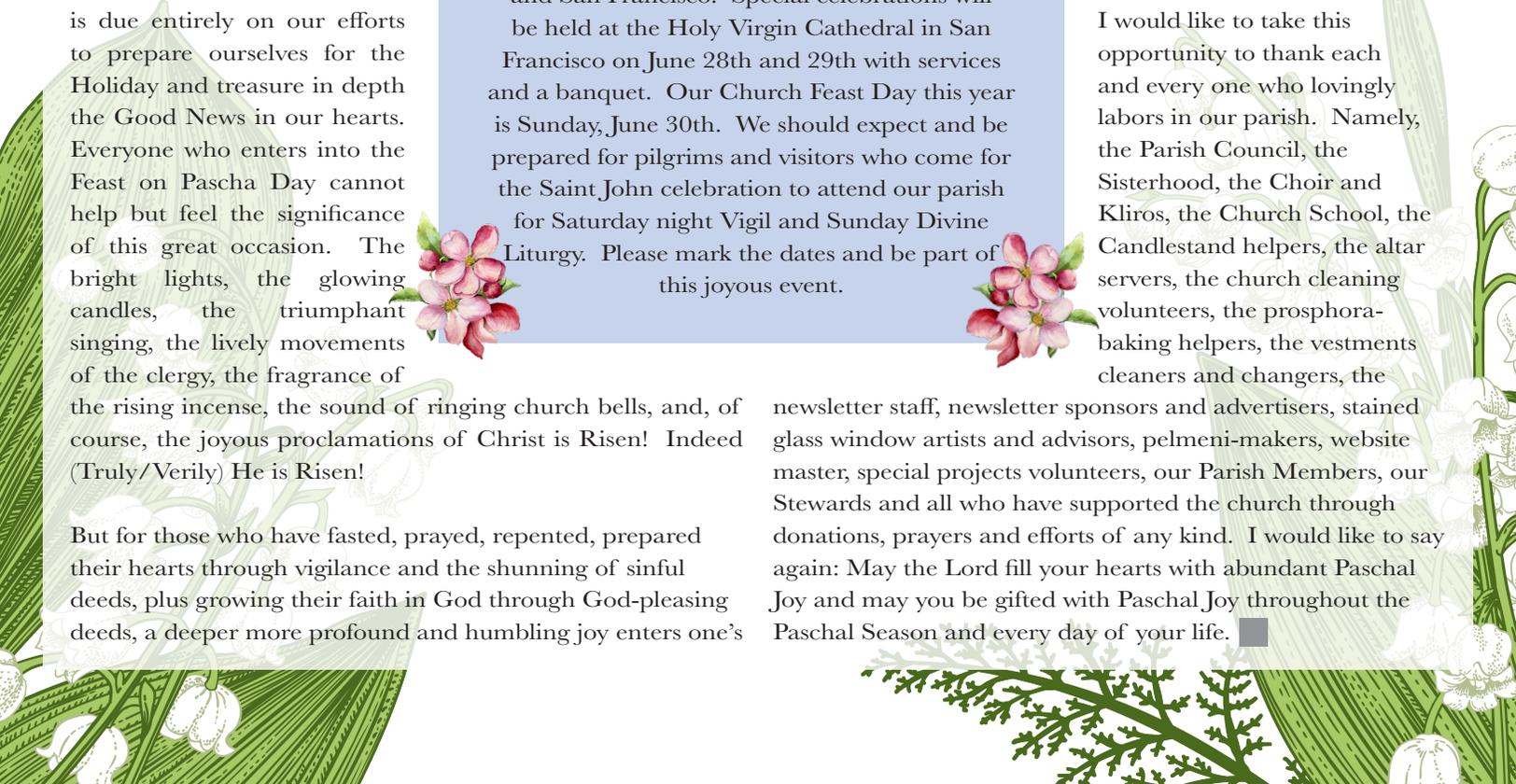
very being and remains there for as long as God determines in His Saving Providence for each individual person, standing before Him in pious faith.

Saint Seraphim experienced Paschal Joy every day of his life which was most obviously revealed when he greeted everyone who came to him any day of the year with the Joyous Paschal Greeting, "CHRIST IS RISEN, MY JOY!"

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one who lovingly labors in our parish. Namely, the Parish Council, the Sisterhood, the Choir and Kliros, the Church School, the Candlestand helpers, the altar servers, the church cleaning volunteers, the prosphora-baking helpers, the vestments cleaners and changers, the

newsletter staff, newsletter sponsors and advertisers, stained glass window artists and advisors, pelmeni-makers, website master, special projects volunteers, our Parish Members, our Stewards and all who have supported the church through donations, prayers and efforts of any kind. I would like to say again: May the Lord fill your hearts with abundant Paschal Joy and may you be gifted with Paschal Joy throughout the Paschal Season and every day of your life. ■

This year marks the 25th Anniversary of the Glorification of Holy Saint John of Shanghai and San Francisco. Special celebrations will be held at the Holy Virgin Cathedral in San Francisco on June 28th and 29th with services and a banquet. Our Church Feast Day this year is Sunday, June 30th. We should expect and be prepared for pilgrims and visitors who come for the Saint John celebration to attend our parish for Saturday night Vigil and Sunday Divine Liturgy. Please mark the dates and be part of this joyous event.



THEOLOGICAL QUESTION FOR ARCHPRIEST STEFAN

HOW DOES ONE ACQUIRE THE HOLY SPIRIT?

Many people are familiar with the famous quote by the beloved Russian ascetic, Saint Seraphim of Sarov: “The true aim of our Christian life consists of the acquisition of the Holy Spirit of God.” In the Scriptures, there are many references to the Holy Spirit, such as “...you are the temple of the Holy Spirit,” and “...rivers of living water will flow from your heart.” Other passages allude to the Christian spiritual life and the importance of treasuring the Holy Spirit.

I have had the honor of meeting people who lived a holy life and to varying degrees, acquired the Holy Spirit. One was Saint John of Shanghai and San Francisco whom I met only twice. Long before he was glorified to Sainthood, the ascetic and wonderworker lived primarily for two reasons: to serve God and to serve his flock. People who knew him personally marveled at his endless energy, boundless love, and strict adherence to the Law of God. The 25th anniversary of his Glorification will be celebrated on June 28 and 29 at the Holy Virgin Cathedral in San Francisco.

Others whom I have known with this inner glow include Protopresbyter Father Michael Pomazansky, professor of Dogmatic Theology at Holy Trinity Seminary in Jordanville, New York. Father Michael was a prolific author of Orthodox Christian books, tracts and essays. He was always calm and soft spoken even during tiring situations. He never complained and admonished us, seminarians, with Christian love and patience. His Matushka was a dovetail image of his spiritual light and stature. She was a quiet person with a bright sparkle in her eyes who always shared her warm smile with all of us. Father Michael reposed in 1988.

Over the years, I have also encountered many monks at the Holy Trinity Monastery who have dedicated their entire lives to true spiritual labor and the acquisition of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Although they came from different backgrounds, education, upbringing and circumstances, they all vowed to live their lives for God, with God, and in God.

All these people were remarkable in their simplicity and quiet temperament. For them, the most important aspect of their life was being in God’s Grace. Worldly cares were secondary to keeping peace in their hearts, which they greatly treasured. Remembering them, I also try hard to keep this peace in my heart. May God give us all the desire to treasure the Holy Spirit above all other worldly accomplishments and successes. ■

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FEBRUARY 2019
Simone Alexandra Ulschmid

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Emilia Jacklyn Thomas

MARRIED

FEBRUARY 2019
None

MARCH 2019
None

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FEBRUARY 2019
Vladimir P. Roudenko
Mila Tarassow

MARCH 2019
Nikolai Minin

REPORT ON THE 2019 PARISH MEETING

Mara Klestoff



Dues-paying members of the Church listen to reports from various officers

On April 14, 2019 at 1:00 pm, Father Stefan called the Annual Parish Meeting to order and nominated Boris Parr as honorary chairman of the meeting. Father Stefan then opened the meeting with a prayer, followed by Deacon Father Alexandre leading us in the singing of Memory Eternal to all those parishioners who had departed this life during the past year. As the first order of business, elections were held for two-year terms on the Parish Council, plus a replacement for Andrei Maximow, who will soon be moving away.

Father Stefan, Starosta Ivan Afanasiev, Head Sister Tatiana Pavlenko, Treasurer Alexei Baranoff, Russian School Director Aleksandr Nikolaevich Miroshnichenko, and Choir Director Andrei Roudenko then presented their reports. A common thread ran through all the presentations. Each expressed their gratitude to the others and to the many parishioners who contribute to our Church in countless different ways. I will not list names here for fear of leaving someone unmentioned, but a great spirit of cohesiveness in the parish was felt throughout the meeting.

In addition to providing statistics on last year's christenings, funerals and weddings and the number of services held in our parish, Father Stefan also discussed some exciting beautification projects we can anticipate: specifically, the magnificent stained glass windows being installed one by one in the upper tier; a bronze bust of Emperor Nicholas II, donated by the Generalov family, which will stand in the front courtyard of the Church; a large icon of the Theotokos by renowned modern iconographer Pavel Tikhomirov that George Alexandrov and his family are planning to donate to our Church in memory of former Choir Director Alexander Butkov. Father Stefan also mentioned an interesting item which was found under

the altar table during cleaning. It was a white brick with a silver plaque attached, stating it comes from the Cathedral of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem. This brick, which Father Stefan had never seen in his 37 years with the parish, will undoubtedly merit a Newsletter article of its own in the future.

Church Starosta Ivan Afanasiev reported on maintenance and repair projects accomplished last year, the most important of which were a new roof for the Church and the repair of dry rot in the bell tower. The repair was made possible by the Stewardship Program donations. Our parish currently has only 70 official dues-paying members. Several options for bringing in new members were discussed.

Matushka Tatiana Pavlenko, very warmly introduced by Father Stefan, reported that the Sisterhood is working actively and harmoniously, and with such delicious results, a group of them have been asked to help out at two special functions at the Holy Virgin Cathedral in San Francisco. The big purchases the Sisterhood were able to make with its earnings include a new commercial size refrigerator and fabric for the beautiful purple vestments we have been seeing on everyone, from Father Stefan down to the littlest altar boys, all sewn by Matushka herself.

Alexei Baranoff reported that parish finances are still in the black, so much so that our parish was able to make some charitable contributions last year, including assistance to fire victims in Northern California. He stressed, however, the importance of continued support of the Stewardship Program, since the next big maintenance project will be painting and sealing the Church exterior. The Audit Committee confirmed that the past year's accounts were complete and correct.

Aleksandr Nikolaevich Miroshnichenko and Andrei Roudenko presented very informative reports about our Parish Russian School and the Church Choir, respectively. The Choir Director gave special credit to "psalomshchitsa" Marina Roudenko, who in addition to assisting Father Stefan with weekday services, spends countless hours at home organizing the readings and music for each service and for choir practice.

Yura Misersky announced the results of the election: Alexei Baranoff, Oleg Bolshakoff, Yura Misersky, Marina Roudenko and Bill Gilchrist were elected to the Parish Council with Tanya Bolshakoff chosen as the reserve member.

Father Stefan concluded the meeting with a prayer, and we left feeling blessed to be a part of this parish family. ■

NINA KORNIUSH HOWELL: A LIFETIME IN OUR CHURCH

- Ludmilla Bobroff



*Nina and Mark Howell with their children,
Gabriel and Kyra.*

Not many of our long-time parishioners can claim a life-long association with the Church of All Russian Saints. College, marriage, careers, and house purchases entice most of our young adults to leave their home parish to seek greater opportunities elsewhere.

Not Nina Korniusch Howell. She was born in Burlingame, baptized by an early Burlingame Church priest, attended services at the Church of All Russian Saints with her parents and three older sisters, and graduated from the Burlingame Church Russian School. Furthermore, she was married by Father Stefan, saw her husband baptized by Father Stefan after converting to Orthodoxy, and witnessed the baptisms of Baby Gabriel and Baby Kyra.

“Ever since I was a child, I had a deep love for the Russian culture and the Orthodox Church,” she explains. “I always planned to marry a Russian man and to raise my future children in the Orthodox faith. My mother was a dedicated volunteer, working with Head Sister Nina Elsner, and I saw how important she considered this obligation.”

Nina’s family history seems guided by the Lord right from the beginning. Her father, Alexander Gabrielovich Korniusch, was born in 1924 in a small Ukrainian village. He served in the Ukrainian Resistance Movement against the Nazis during World War II. After being wounded, he became a prisoner of war, and sent to an internment camp in Hamburg, Germany.

Nina’s mother, Vera Vasilievna Laptik, was born near Minsk, Belorussia in 1933. During the war, Nina’s mother, grandmother, and aunts were taken from their village by the Germans and also placed in an internment camp. Through God’s Providence, both Vera Vasilievna and Alexander Gabrielovich were at the same internment camp for nine years where they fell in love.

In 1952, Vera Vasilievna and her family were able to obtain visas and a sponsorship to the United States. They moved to New York to start a new life. Meanwhile Alexander Gabrielovich immigrated to California, where he found a good job in construction, worked hard and wrote often to his dear Vera. After he saved some money and found an apartment, he asked her to marry him. She agreed and in 1954, Vera Vasilievna arrived in California and the couple got married.

Twelve years later, Alexander Gabrielovich accumulated enough money to buy a large house in the hills above Burlingame to accommodate a wife and four daughters – Victoria, Natalie, Valerie and Nina. The girls attended Hoover Elementary School, Burlingame Intermediate School, Mills High School, and, of course, the Russian School at the Church of All Russian Saints.

“In those days, classes were held twice a week in the evenings for four hours,” says Nina. “The teachers, who had recently immigrated to the United States, were strict and demanded discipline. We had to pass our final exams with the Bishop present. He often asked us questions about Orthodoxy. I must admit

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that I dreaded going to Russian School, but what I did enjoy were all the friends I made there. I joined St. George Pathfinders, the Russian Scouts organization, in order to see them more often.”

Nina remembers three priests who served in the newly consecrated Church of All Russian Saints. Specifically, Father Nikolai Masich who would have dinner often at the Kornius house, Father Alexei Ionoff, and Father George Kochergin. She also remembers playing the flute for Bishop Anthony (Medvedev), and while in high school, babysitting the children of Father Stefan and Matushka Tatiana.

Because the Laptik grandmother had remained on the East Coast, she became well acquainted with priests and seminarians from the Jordanville Seminary in New York State. Consequently, when clergy visited the San Francisco Bay Area, they would often stay at the Kornius house. Archimandrite Kiprian (Pyjov) brought along a young seminarian, named Peter Perekrestov, who later became archpriest at the Holy Virgin Cathedral in San Francisco.

After graduating from high school, Nina attended San Jose State University, earning a B.S. Degree in Nursing. She kept in touch with all her Russian friends and dated a number of Russian young men, but nothing serious developed. Then in her senior year of college, she ran into a former high school classmate, Mark Howell. As their love grew for each other, Nina was concerned they were of different faiths. She didn't insist that he convert to Orthodoxy, but she did present specific criteria regarding their future children.

“I told Mark I wanted our future children to be baptized and raised in the Orthodox Church,” Nina says. “Furthermore, if I couldn't take them to church,

I expected him to take them. I was relieved that he agreed to my conditions because if he had not agreed, that would have been a deal-breaker for me.”

The person who answered Mark's religious questions and helped grow Nina's faith was the father of her best friend, Serge Hidchenko. He came from a long line of clergymen in Russia. His grandfather's brother was the personal priest to the mother of Tsar Nicholas II. Two years after Nina and Mark's marriage, Mark converted from Catholicism to Orthodoxy and asked Serge Hidchenko to be his godfather.



This old photo shows, left to right, Natalie, Valerie, Nina, and Victoria, celebrating the Nativity with their parents.

Today, the Howell family lives in Westlake near San Francisco. Nina works at Stanford Children's Hospital, supervising the post-operative recovery unit. Mark works for Pribuss Fire Protection as a Fire Sprinkler Fitter. Gabriel is a senior at Archbishop Riordan High School in San Francisco while Kyra is an eighth grader at St. Gabriel School in San Francisco. Gabriel has been

accepted at several California universities but is leaning toward enrolling at his mother's old alma mater, San Jose State University. He has been an altar server with Father Stefan since age 10. Kyra is an enthusiastic helper with Nina at Sisterhood events.

Vera Vasilievna, Nina's mother, reposed 12 years ago. Nina's father, Alexander Gabrielovich, departed this world two years ago. The four sisters and their families always remember their parents when they gather at their dacha in Forestville near the Russian River which their father built. Nina is the one who prepares all the traditional Russian dishes from her mother's handwritten recipes. She does that for all holidays with assistance from her sisters.

“I love doing the food preparation,” Nina says. “It brings back many wonderful memories for my sisters and me. We reminisce about our parents and our childhood.” ■

CHOIR NEWS

Andrei Roudenko

Христос Воскресе! Christ is Risen!

Our choir journey started in January after Nativity and the Epiphany of the Lord with many rehearsals for our annual Lenten Concert. That was followed by singing at many services that led up to Great Lent, Passion Week and finally PASCHA.

This year, our preparations included a special event – a Master Class rehearsal led by members of the Konovets Quartet. The Konevets Quartet was founded in 1992 by four young musicians from the St Petersburg Conservatoire who sang in the Konevets Monastery of the Holy Nativity Choir on the island of Konevets on Lake Ladoga. Their first audiences were workers restoring the monastery, as well as pilgrims and tourists visiting the island.

The Quartet grew to become a highly acclaimed chamber choir who dedicated themselves to creating a perfect harmonious ensemble sound. It was this sound that our parish choir seeks to achieve in our



The Konovets Quartet led a Master Class for the Parish Choir, then sang sacred and secular selections for our enjoyment.



In March, our Parish Choir presented a concert of Sacred Works sung during Great Lent and Passion Week. The concert can be viewed on https://wadiocese.com/news_190408_1.html

singing. Consequently, we invited the group to present a Master Class for our benefit while they were on tour in San Francisco.

Tenors Maksim Mostovoy and Yulian Danshin, baritone Evgeny Gusin, and bass and director Igor Dmitriev first listened to our choir singing selections from the concert program, then offered suggestions and demonstrated how to produce a harmonious ensemble sound. The Master Class concluded with the Quartet singing a mini-concert of sacred and secular selections for our choir members.

After class in private conversations, the Quartet members noted the high degree of effort they observed in our choir members. We felt we were truly “brothers” in the fraternity of Russian Orthodox Church choir singers.

Today, as we begin the next leg of our annual journey through Paschaliya to Pentecost and finally our Parish Feast Day, our efforts to contribute prayerfulness and splendor to our services will be strengthened by what we learned from our Konovets friends. ■



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FIVE STUDENTS TO GRADUATE FROM RUSSIAN SCHOOL

Eirra Motoviloff

Five anxious and excited students are eagerly anticipating the end of the Russian School year. Exams are just around the corner and their final AKT is scheduled for May 19. The five students have worked hard for many years to learn as much as they can about the Law of God, Russian history and Russian literature. This year's class is a bilingual class. The students have been taught in both Russian and English. Although these hard working students may not have learned all their lessons in Russian, each and every one of them holds on tightly to their Russian soul (dusha) and proudly boasts of their Russian heritage and traditions.

On June 9, Olivia Baksheeff, Christopher Ching, David Dubinsky, Dantia Egorov, and Vladimir Motoviloff will dance their formal waltz at the White Ball to celebrate the completion of Russian School. The parents have been fundraising all year in order to fund this event at the Russian Center in San Francisco. Admission is by invitation only.

Besides attending weekly rehearsals to perfect their waltz, the graduates are shopping for their white gowns and tuxedos and breaking in their dancing shoes! The parents are looking forward to dancing the parent waltz with their child.

The graduates and their parents wish to thank everyone involved in the education of their children; specifically: Father Stefan Pavlenko, Aleksandr Nikolaevich Miroshnichenko, Svetlana Olegovna Avdeeva, Lada Nikolaevna Denisova, Anatoly Vsevolodovich Shmelev, and Anna Legkova Gorg. The dedication and attention shown by these teachers helped our students appreciate their culture and heritage.

They will long remember their teachers and their friends in Russian School. ■

2019 RUSSIAN SCHOOL GRADUATES



Olivia Baksheeff

OLIVIA BAKSHEEFF

Olivia Baksheeff is the daughter of Andrew and Amy Baksheeff. She is 15 years old and has attended the Burlingame Church Russian School since she was five years old. Olivia is currently a freshman at Design Tech High School, a charter school located on the Oracle corporate campus in Redwood Shores.

Olivia's favorite memories of Russian School are the January Yolka parties and playing soccer with friends during recess. She thinks learning the Russian language is fun and enjoys reading Russian text out loud.

Olivia is considering pursuing a career in the medical field. She has a particular interest in infant medicine, as well as labor and delivery. Some of her hobbies are filming and editing short movies with her friends, playing the guitar and ukulele, singing, swimming, drawing, and competing in soccer.

The teenager is very active in St. George Pathfinders, the Russian Scouting organization. She attends all meetings and looks forward to the two-week summer Scouts camp. Her grandparents, Lana and Vova Kondrasheff, accompanied her to her first camp at age 7 to make sure she would be O.K. They enjoyed the bonding and scouting experience so much, Lana now volunteers annually as the camp cook while Vova volunteers as the chief dishwasher. Andrew and Amy Baksheeff are also very proud of their daughter to have persevered for ten long years in Russian School without quitting.

CHRISTOPHER CHING

Christopher Ching is the son of Katherine Kolenko and Brian Ching. Christopher's mother, Katya Kolenko, is an alumna of the Burlingame Church Russian School, along with her brother, Petya, and several cousins. Because Katya remembers her school days fondly and wanted Christopher to preserve the Russian culture and traditions, she enrolled her son in the school at age six. As the years passed, the next generation of Kolenko children followed suit. Currently Christopher's younger brother, Brendan, attends as well as four cousins.

Christopher enjoys Russian School because he can see his cousins weekly and make new friends. He says these connections are important to him. He has known students in the school longer than any of his classmates in American schools.

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Christopher Ching

The teenager is a freshman at Los Altos High School in Los Altos. He plays football on the school team and plans to take up volleyball next year. His classes include Biology Honors, Geometry Honors, and Introduction to Engineering Design. In his free time, he enjoys playing video games, socializing with friends, and making plans to go to fun places. The beach, sports, skiing, and his phone are on the top of his list of favorite activities.

Every summer, Christopher goes to the St. George Pathfinders Summer Camp in Laytonville, California. Katya volunteers there as a lifeguard and teaches water safety. Christopher is looking forward to this summer because over 100 Russian Scouts from New York, Southern California, Panama, Russia, and other countries will be gathering there for the last two weeks of July. Teams will compete against one another both physically and mentally.

Christopher has not decided on his future career yet, although he is looking into law enforcement and firefighting. The medical field also interests him since there are a few relatives on his father's side who are doctors and nurses.



David Dubinsky

DAVID DUBINSKY

David Dubinsky, son of Oxana Nadelson and Dan Dubinsky, was born and raised in San Francisco. He attended Saints Cyril and Methodius High School since age 4. When David was admitted last year to Serra High School in San Mateo, he transferred to the Burlingame Church Russian School after passing all his entrance exams brilliantly.

With great support from his grandmother, Ludmila Afanasiev, David has come to love and respect his Russian culture, history and heritage thanks to her and the Burlingame Russian School. Always quiet and organized, David graduated from middle school with a Presidential Award and is now an honor student at Serra High School.

He has many interests outside of school. He takes ballroom dancing classes and has won several awards in ballroom dancing contests with sister, Liza, as his dancing partner. In addition, he enjoys judo, tennis, rock climbing, skating, skiing, and snowboarding. He also plays the piano and takes guitar lessons.

One of his favorite pastimes is building a small town with Legos. He does it so quickly his parents foresee engineering to be a possible career.

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DANTIA EGOROV

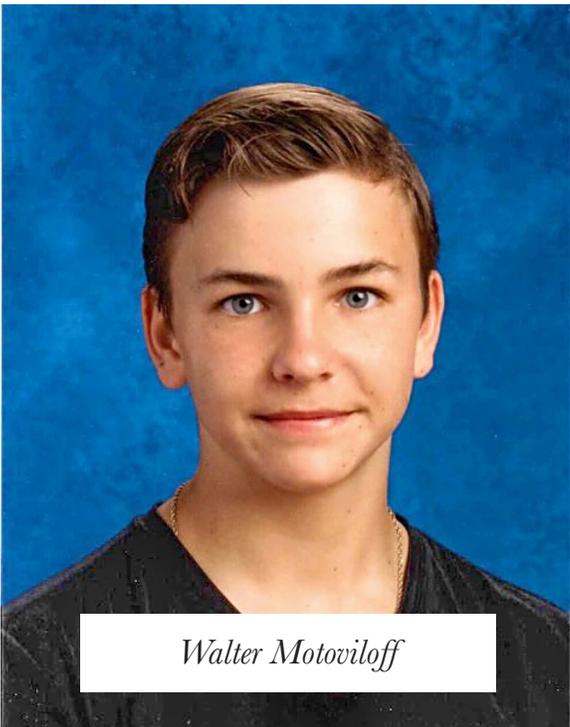
Dantia Egorov is the daughter of Vladimir Egorov and Gillian Kosharek. She started attending the Burlingame Church Russian School in the Fall of 2010. Dantia says the school taught her how to be a lady with proper posture, proper handwriting, and proper behavior. It also helped her with memorization. She gives credit to her favorite teacher, the late Iya Schmit, who gave her a Russian identity and an appreciation for her culture.

Dantia attends Burlingame High School. Her favorite class is math. During her free time, she plays soccer with the Burlingame Soccer Club and reads fiction books. She looks forward every year to attending St. George Pathfinders Summer Camp.



Dantia Egorov

VLADIMIR MOTOVILOFF



Walter Motoviloff

Vladimir (Walter) Motoviloff is the son of Irene Danich Motoviloff and the late Nick Motoviloff. Vova began his Russian studies in San Francisco, but transferred to Burlingame in the first grade when he, his mother and younger brother moved to Burlingame upon the repose of his father.

Vova has formed strong friendships in Burlingame and enjoys being with his Russian School classmates at St. George Pathfinders Summer Camp, headed by his uncle, Scoutmaster Misha Danich. He also looks forward to serving in the Altar with Father Stefan.

For the past six years, Vova has been a member of the Russian Center Dancers and performs regularly at Russian Community events in San Francisco. He has embraced his Russian heritage and Orthodox faith. He enjoys our traditions especially during the holidays.

Along with his mother, Irene, and younger brother, Nicky, Vova loves to travel. The family has been fortunate to visit some amazing places, including Jerusalem, London, Panama, Alaska and many states across America. At home, he is often cooking and barbecuing.

Now age 15, he is completing his freshman year at Burlingame High School. He is on both the football and golf teams. A natural athlete, Vova participates in many sports including baseball, swimming and bicycling with friends. Somehow he finds time to also play computer games and going to the movies with friends. He loves animals and has two German Shepherds, a guinea pig and a lizard.

Vova can't wait to learn to drive a car. Future plans include becoming a firefighter which is a good career choice, considering he has a natural desire to help others. As a caring individual, he is very protective of his mother, brother, family and close friends. ■

Lenten Events



Matushka Tatiana ordered material from Russia and sewed identical purple vestments for Deacon Father Alexandre and all the altar servers.



On the Sunday of Orthodoxy, sunlight from the recently installed stained glass window illuminated the beautiful icon stand coverings that Matushka also sewed.



Evgenia Dmitrievna Roudenko, widow of the recently reposed Vladimir Pavlovich Roudenko, attended the Choir Concert in memory of her husband. At the reception following the concert, she was photographed with Father Stefan, her son Parish Choir Director Andrei Roudenko, and daughter-in-law, Marina.



Another special guest attending the concert and reception was composer Sergei Riabtchenko. His hymn, "My Soul, Awaken" was sung by the Parish Choir during the concert.

Kulich Fair



Little Danik Potselueff gets advice and help from his parents, Liza and Andrei, while sister Natasha eats the decorations.



Grandmother Mila Baranoff-Colver admires the artistry of little Kassiana Baranoff's kulich.



Stefanchik Maximov, who is Father Stefan and Matushka Tatiana's grandson, is an expert at decorating.



A large number of children, parents, and grandparents participated in the annual pre-Easter event.

Cleaning Day Before Pascha



Council member Dima Bobroff dons a yellow slicker to powerwash the driveway and the front steps.



St. George Pathfinders from Druzhina Kiev gather at the Church on Cleaning Day. They are, left to right, Olivia Baksheeff, Lucas Klestoff, Kuzma Shepelev, Vova Motoviloff, Christopher Ching, Anna Sophia Cornish, Luci Baksheeff, and Nicky Motoviloff.



Sisters Luci and Olivia Baksheeff are in charge of polishing wood.



Nicky Motoviloff and Luci Baksheeff scrape wax off the floor.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR MAY AND JUNE

MAY 10 AT 7 P.M.

SISTER MARTHA AND A STUDENT FROM BETHANY SCHOOL IN JERUSALEM ARE COMING TO OUR PARISH ON A FUNDRAISING MISSION. DETAILS WILL BE ANNOUNCED CLOSER TO THE DATE.

MAY 19

PARISH RUSSIAN SCHOOL AKT AT 4:30 P.M.

MAY 27

**WESTERN AMERICAN DIOCESE
ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO FORT ROSS**

JUNE 9

**PARISH RUSSIAN SCHOOL WHITE BALL
RUSSIAN CENTER
(BY INVITATION ONLY)**

JUNE 16

FATHER'S DAY LUNCH

JUNE 28 AND 29

**25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GLORIFICATION OF
SAINT JOHN OF SHANGHAI AND SAN FRANCISCO
HOLY VIRGIN CATHEDRAL, SAN FRANCISCO**

JUNE 30

PARISH FEAST DAY

**NO LUNCHTIME EVENTS ARE SCHEDULED BY THE
SISTERHOOD FOR JULY AND AUGUST.**

PELMENI-MAKING SESSIONS

MAY 9

JUNE 13

JULY 18

AUGUST 15

**IF YOU CAN HELP, COME
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ANYTIME BETWEEN 10
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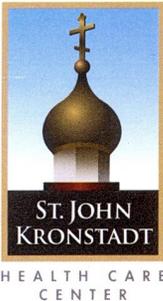
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