

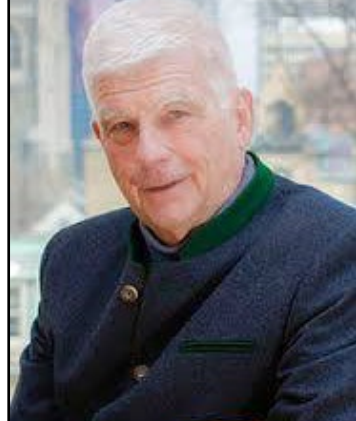


Welcome



Dear Friends,

Our 25th anniversary celebration is fast-approaching. The jubilee will begin Friday, May 17, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at our Carpatho-Rusyn Cultural and Educational Center. Slavjane Folk Ensemble will open the evening performance at 6:30 p.m., followed by our featured group, the Harmonia Band (<http://www.harmoniaband.com>). The concert will include a medley of Rusyn music from Southern Poland (Lemko region), Eastern Slovakia, Western Ukraine, Northern Hungary, Northern Romania, and the Vojvodina region in Serbia.



Prof. Paul Robert Magocsi
Keynote Speaker and
Michael Strank Award
recipient

The next day, Saturday, May 18, 2019, we are pleased to announce our honored guest and keynote speaker will be Prof. Paul Robert Magocsi. Prof. Magocsi is an American professor of history, political science and Chair of Ukrainian Studies at the University of Toronto. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and Honorary Chairman of the World Congress of Rusyns. He has founded the Carpatho-Rusyn Research Center and authored many books on Rusyn history.

Following a delicious banquet, Prof. Magocsi will be presented with the Michael Strank Award. Harmonia Band will provide after-dinner music for your listening and dancing pleasure.

We have limited seats and are already halfway booked to capacity, so please make your reservation early!

Take care,

Maryann Sivak, C-RS National President
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C-RS Events Webpage *Contributed by Tom Brenzovich*

The events management feature is a key component of the Carpatho-Rusyn Society's (C-RS) website. Events sponsored by the C-RS and its chapters/branches are posted on the events page and are accessible by both members and non-members alike. Other than providing information regarding a given event, the events feature also provides the ability to register for the event online which is fast and convenient for attendees. The website then sends the event host a system-generated notification as to who will be attending the event. This allows for real-time headcounts and more effective planning.

The events management feature provides two options for registering, simple and advance.

Simple registration

- Used when holding a free event that requires only an RSVP response from the registrants
- Simple registration events requires less setup and provide for one-click registration (RSVP only) by the registrants.
- The only requirements are event details and setting up the event email announcements. A single non-modifiable registration type of RSVP will be automatically created.
- Simple events do not allow for guests, registration limits, and cannot include multiple sessions.

Advanced registration

- Used when holding an event that charges a registration fee, has a registration limit, allows for guests, additional registration information from the registrants, or spans multiple sessions.
- Must be set up well in advance of the event. The 25th Anniversary online registration is a perfect example of the advanced registration feature.
- An audit trail is created by the system as to who has paid, the amount paid, what they registered for, and whether there was a guest registered or not.
- Though fees are deposited in the national C-RS account, because of the audit trail, fees can easily be identified and transferred to the chapter/branch account.

The online events registration is quick, easy, secure and an efficient way to register for a C-RS or chapter/branch sponsored event. In fact, registration can be done from the event email announcement that goes out to members. By clicking on the embedded link registrants are directed to the website events page. It saves time by not having to send a separate email or phone call to the event sponsor. The sponsor receives immediate notification when someone registers. In addition, reports and/or an Excel file can be generated for the sponsor's use.

Let's take full advantage of this website feature and utilize it to its maximum. Start registering for events online now!!!

Yours in Rusyn Unity,

Tom Brenzovich
C-RS Membership Management Systems Administrator

C-RS 25th Anniversary Weekend

Mark your calendar and join us in celebrating 25 years of the C-RS! It will be a great weekend full of festivities at the C-RS Cultural Center. As the space is limited (**300 seats**), **please make your reservations early!**

Scheduled Events

Friday, May 17

SLAVJANE FOLK ENSEMBLE
6:30 p.m. | Cultural Center

CONCERT BY HARMONIA BAND

7:00 p.m. | Cultural Center
Tickets: \$15.00 purchased in advance. Visit <http://www.harmoniaband.com> for more information.

Saturday, May 18

MEET AND GREET WITH PROF. PAUL ROBERT MAGOCSI

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | Hungarian Reformed Church
Please come join us for brunch - this is a perfect opportunity to meet Professor Magocsi, socialize, and get to know each other! Free event located across the street from the Cultural Center.

RUSYN BUS TOUR

11:00 a.m. | Pickup at the Cultural Center - \$30/person.
Pittsburgh played a pivotal role in the development of the Carpatho-Rusyn community, locally, nationally and internationally. Join this bus tour led by John Righetti and visit 4 key locations:

- The childhood home of Andy Warhol
- St John Chrysostom Church in "Ruska Dolyna" – Rusyn Valley
- St Michael Church in Rankin, PA – original building and site of much activity in the church splits between Byzantine Catholic and Orthodox
- The National Carpatho-Rusyn Cultural and Educational Center – formerly the first Rusyn cathedral in America that played a key role in the development of Czechoslovakia...
- And much more!

WOODEN CHURCHES OF THE CARPATHO-RUSYNS

11:00 a.m. | Hungarian Reformed Church
Dr. Michele Parvensky will present a discussion and slide show of the diverse types of architecture of the wooden churches of the Carpatho-Rusyns in Eastern Europe - Free event.

I AM CARPATHO-RUSYN, I LIVED IN FIVE DIFFERENT COUNTRIES AND NEVER MOVED

1:00 P.M. | Hungarian Reformed Church
"Why were there 5 different countries and how did it affect my life?" Karen Varian's presentation takes us through the life of a Carpatho-Rusyn who was born in Austro-Hungary, went to school in Czechoslovakia, was married in Hungary, worked in the Soviet Union, and was buried in Ukraine.

AWARDS DINNER AND DANCE HONORING PROF. PAUL ROBERT MAGOCSI AND ROBERT HANICH, M.D.

6:00 p.m. | Cultural Center
Family style dinner catered by Emil's Restaurant. The Harmonia Band will provide dance music.
Price: \$55.00 purchased in advance.

Sunday, May 19

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS (MEMBERS ONLY)

11:00 a.m. | Cultural Center

REGISTER

News contributions are welcome!
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