

Season's Greetings from American Ukrainian Medical Project (AUMP)

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All of us at AUMP would like to wish you and your families the very best of Health and Happiness during this holiday season and the New Year. May Peace and Prosperity be with you all!

A Look Back at 2002 – A Very Good Year for AUMP

January – Our website, www.aump.org is Launched and Begins its Development,
February – AUMP is listed with Idealist.org and VolunteerMatch, two Internet volunteerism sites which connect us to volunteers across America and around the world,
March – AUMP becomes an official affiliate of iGive.com and expedia.com, online shopping services which direct a portion of each purchase to AUMP,
April – AUMP and Kent – Kherson Sister City Committee Agree to Collaborate,
May – Galina Moskalenko of Kyiv Teaching Hospital No. 10 arrives in Seattle for Immunohistochemistry Training – A First!
June – Official Determination of IRS Tax Exempt Status Received,
July – AUMP President Russ Ayers speaks at first-ever Ukraine Forum of Sister Cities International Convention,
August – AUMP Celebrates its First Anniversary on the 18th,
September – Dr. Eugene Deneka arrives in Seattle for Immunohistochemistry Training, AUMP Technical Advisor Terry Ayers invited to Dako Cytomation for advanced training and to give a presentation about AUMP with Dr. Alex Rakul and Russ Ayers,
October – Dako Cytomation Makes Large In-kind Donation of Antibodies and Reagents,
November – AUMP, Kent Kherson Sister City Committee and Rotary Clubs of Kent and Kherson explore Collaboration,
December – Approval for Air Cargo Shipping from United Airlines.

Volunteers of 2002

A key to our success in 2002 has been the willingness of many people in America, Ukraine and elsewhere to help with our Project. Among them several stand out for their extra effort, dedication and accomplishments. These special volunteers are: Dr. Alex Rakul, Michelle Fuqua, Elena Dournova, Samia Mohamed, Vessela Kouzova, Ruslan Tykholaz, Dr. Michael Blekhman, Ramya Ramasubramanian, and our travelers, Galina Moskalenko and Dr. Eugene Deneka. In exchange for their long days of training they agreed to leave their homes and families for two weeks and to spend two long days traveling from Kyiv to Seattle and back.

Also, the members of our medical advisory and governing Boards including Drs. Alla Anatoliyivna Moloshok, Lyuba Mikhaelovna Zakhartseva, Marta Ihorivna Servetnyk,

Eugene Romanovich Deneka; Dr. Olga Suslova and Terry Ayers, HT and finally Michael Urbaitis, Jim Soto and Russ Ayers all deserve recognition for their many hours of service behind the scenes.

Looking Ahead to 2003

In the coming year AUMP will continue its mission of advancing international healthcare technology in several ways. With good fortune and some hard work we hope to bring our Project to Kherson in partnership with the Kent Kherson Sister City Committee and Rotary Clubs in both cities. We will bring you more news about this collaboration throughout 2003. This will put AUMP into southern Ukraine, leaving only the East unserved.

Fundraising will determine the level of many of our activities in the coming year. The continuing economic uncertainty in the United States has had a chilling effect on all aspects of philanthropy in 2002. In light of these circumstances AUMP will continue to do the best and most that it can with available resources. After all, AUMP was established to utilize special skills, talents and connections among new friends to carry on a program begun by the US Agency for International Development.

Ideally AUMP will be working "in the field" in Ukraine at some point in 2003. It is much too soon to know where or when – there are so many arrangements to be made both here in Seattle and in Ukraine. Such travel was not possible with our schedule in 2002.

2003 will see our Russian-language histology reference and instruction tools become reality. We plan to place them on our website and make them available in Ukraine and America to further advance our mission and the professional abilities of our participating laboratories and medical volunteers. If anyone is interested in helping us create Ukrainian versions please contact us at Volunteers@aump.org or write to the address below.

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