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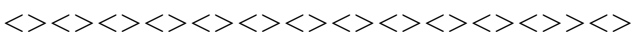
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IN MEMORIUM Julia Martha Wenckus

Long time House of Lithuania Santa Claus, Julia Wenckus quietly passed away Thursday, March 14, 2007, with little notice. On coming to the San Diego area, Julia and her late husband, Louis, joined what was then known as the Lithuanian-American Club in the early 1970's. The two of them actively participated the activities of the club and when it became the House of Lithuania in 1974. Louis passed away in November 1994 and Julia continued as Santa Claus until her health declined. The daughter of Lithuanian immigrants, Julia was born in Chicago in 1916, he second eldest of seven children. She was the mother of three children, two grandchildren and seven great grand children. Her granddaughter Regina Aishman Otis served as Princess for the House of Lithuania, representing the House of Lithuania in House of Pacific Relations activities. Julia left the House of Lithuania four volumes of photographs recording the House's members and their activities in years gone by. Her smile and cheerful face will be missed.



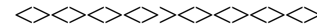
Julia & Louis WENCKUS



HOUSE OF LITHUANIA APRIL MEETING & POTLUCK

The April regular meeting of the House of Lithuania was held on Saturday, April 14, 2007 at the Allied Gardens Recreation Center, Gardens Room, 5155 Greenbriar Ave., San Diego.

The host was Henry Gorodeckas. The entre was Chicken Spanguole (chicken roasted with cranberries).



ANNUAL ETHNIC FOOD FAIR BALBOA PARK -- MAY 27th

It was Titus Samys, president of the House of Lithuania who founded the Ethnic Food Fair as a cultural addition to the San Diego community when he was president of the House of Pacific Relations 1980 and 1981. The House of Lithuania will have a booth. Service will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Come early! Food goes fast!



News From Lithuania

VILNIUS - Lithuania may soon be called upon to mediate the current political stand off between its president and prime minister in Ukraine, Lithuanian Prime Minister Gediminas Kirkilas said after a two-day visit to the country, Ukraine faces a constitutional crisis. Baltic Times, Apr 18, 2007, Arturas Racas



APRIL = LITHUANIAN PHRASE FOR BEGINNERS:

Mes turetume važiuoti kur nors i kaima.

[We should go somewhere into the country (village).]



EDITOR'S CORRECTION MARCH LITHUANIAN PHRASE FOR BEGINNERS:

Šiandien labai graži diena.

[It's a beautiful day today!]



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