House of Lithuania

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Lithuanian Word for April

"Doves"

Balandis (April) is already a spring month. Doves ("balandis") coo and mate on the farm and the cooing of wild doves can be heard in the slowly greening countryside. Other songbirds have yet to return, so the dove's soft cooing is not yet drowned out by the magnificent songbirds.by Voras Internet Services, Ltd. http://lithuanian-american.org/educate/tradicijos/months.html

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Marie Curie Elementary School
Multi-Cultural Fair

The Lithuanian Flag and Lithuanian children's books were the focus of Lithuania's booth at the Curie multi-cultural fair on March 31. A globe of the world was the highlight for many of the children—locating Lithuania halfway around the world from San Diego and, so close, to the North Pole. The annual event, put on by parents and teachers and students, brought together cultures such as Navajo and Armenian, Serbian and Norwegian, Chinese and Austrian. Approximately 700 students toured the booths. Marianna Bacilla, a teacher at the school, and a member of the House of Lithuania, was assisted by HoL members Julie Benedict, Stephanie Benedict and Alexandra Norman..

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LITHUANIA HOPES TO JOIN EURO IN 2007

The government of Lithuania applied to join the euro zone on 16 March 2006 and plans to introduce the euro in January 2007. The country is at risk of being rejected on the grounds that its inflation rate exceeds 3%.The threshold for euro applicants' inflation rate is currently 2.6%.**"**

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NOT TO LATE TO BE A REGULAR MEMBER

Don't miss the opportunity to be a formal member of the House of Lithuania and join us in displaying our Lithuanian culture or sharing our unique food with the visitors in Balboa Park and at other public events.

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Meeting & Potluck

Saturday, April 8, 2006

1 P.M. – Allied Gardens Recreation Center / GARDENS ROOM
5155 Greenbriar Ave., San Diego

Hosted by Julie Benedict

SISTER CITIES MARIJAMPOLE & POWAY AT POWAY STREET FAIR—APRIL 23

House of Lithuania members will assist at the Sister Cities Information Booth at the Poway Street Fair on April 23. The Street Fair will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.,. and will be located on Midland Road, between Poway Road and Hilleary Place.

Information and pictures of Marijampole will exhibited, and the House of Lithuania members will be in costume to give a sense of the old world. Lithuanians from the local area—even the whole County—are urged to come to the Fair and to stop by the booth, and participate in sharing Lithuanian cultural information. For further information, or offers to participate, please call 858-733-1504, evenings.

BALBOA PARK ETHNIC FOOD FAIR

The House of Pacific Relations' annual Ethnic Food Fair on Memorial Day weekend, this year May 28th, was the idea of Titus Samys, House of Lithuania President, as he was President of the House of Pacific Relations 1980-81. This years event will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.This year, again, the House of Lithuania will join the other ethnic houses in the Park and present a taste of Lithuania—samples of saltibarsciai. Volunteers to assist in setup, service and tear-down are asked to contact Marianna Bacilla at 858-733-1505, evenings.

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