

January 3rd, 2000

With this some updated information about the ACC

This time there is a new part of the letter:

Messages from member to member.

You are very welcome to add something yourself, if you have a relevant contribution

YFE

The EU-programme Youth for Europe support is now confirmed in written. This was the message received from the InformationsCenter for Udveksling (ICU), Copenhagen, in December. The amount is the maximum: 10.000 € . 80% of the amount is available already in January.

EYF

Unfortunately the European Youth Foundation rejected our application for financial aid.

ACC-Latvia

The first local branch of the ACC has been founded! Members of the ACC from Latvia have founded the ACC-Latvia. This is probably a surprise for even some of our friends living in Latvia, who might not have heard about it. It was not possible to get in touch with everyone. Where are you? The ACC-Latvia was formed in late December, and the board constituted itself as follows:

Chairperson - Ivo Klotins (97)

Vice-chairperson - Sandra Salmina

Secreatry - Una Tukisa (99)

Board Members - Viktorija Meiksane (99), Linda Jakobsone (97)

Candidates - Dainis Lasmanis, Dace Krejere - (both Club "The House")

The idea of the ACC-Latvia is to make it possible to raise local money as well for the CCC-project in Rite, Latvia.

Letters-of-membership/Certificates

We have to apologize that we still did not send letters-of-membership. This has been promised for a long time. There are lots of good and bad reasons for this. Please be patient.

Kultour Bidaiak

I would like to make use of these lines to let you know the new project I am working on, believing it could be interesting and even helpful someday.

By support of my organisation and other associations, we have created a travel agency called KULTOUR BIDAIK, which is wanted to be an alternate and innovating agency. Its aims are the following:

*To strenghten the relationship between euskal Herria and all those regions, nations, countries or people with a lesser used language, ethnic minorities etc. In short:

*We want to show the Basque reality, since our country has much to offer: a diverse and attractive landscape, a rich and singular culture, a milenary language...

*We want to show to Basque people other countries' reality, in order to understand their problems, to learn about their culture, history, language... and to visit their most beautiful places.

We really think this can be a great chance to know a lot about each other

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Are you planning to go to Latvia?

I will be staying in Latvia most of 2000, so if you need help arranging your trip then just contact me. I will book your hotel, your tickets for the Opera or to a Skonto Riga match. I will make a reservation for a car or a table ready for two, wherever you would like to go and eat. I will guide you around and tell the stories about Latvia and its people. Most of them will be true.... others will just be interesting. But whatever your plans and needs are I will be able to help you. So call or mail me on +371 9696869 or eska@post3.tele.dk By the way...I speak Danish and English fluently and Latvian on an average level although I guess my Latvian will be almost fluent at summertime.

Esben Kalhøj (Minority Course '98)
