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A great deal has happened since our last Newsletter, so this will be a bumper edition! I hope you find it interesting.

Stolpersteine

On 10 June, 27 *Stolpersteine* were laid in the pavement outside the houses from which people had been deported. This was the culmination of a great deal of work by Heinz Vogel, who co-ordinated all the data and the collection of payments; Dr Sladovnik of the Ostrava Lord Mayor's Department who was tremendously helpful in securing legal permissions for us to lay the stones and in arranging for the holes to be dug in the pavement at the right places and at the right time; and to Libuše, Michal and Radan Salomonovič who went to great trouble to identify the correct locations and data for the inscriptions. We are very grateful to all of them, without whom nothing would have happened.



Stolpersteine for the Slatner family, *in situ*.

In some cases it was not possible to lay *Stolpersteine* in the appropriate place, as the building or the road had been redeveloped. So several memorial plaques were laid in the *Ohel* of the Jewish Cemetery. Radan was particularly involved in organising these and Mrs Garajová, the President of the Jewish Community

gave permission for them to be placed there. We made a donation to the communal funds, in appreciation of this.



Plaques in the *Ohel*

We have permission from the Community to place more plaques in the *Ohel* so if you would like to do so, please contact David in the first instance.

Our trip to Ostrava

Very early in the morning of Sunday 27th June, 16 of us set off from London Heathrow to Prague, where Ruth Portnoy joined us, having just flown in from Israel, and then we flew on to Ostrava. We were met by the Salomonovič family who were going to be our guides on a walking tour of Ostrava. Tom Auber and his cousin Peter (who joined us in London from the USA) were met by his Polish cousins, Henryk, Jerzy and Wieslaw Jurkowski (originally Jachcel). But even more exciting than that was the meeting with Tom and Peter's long-lost Ostrava family! Libuše had found a whole branch of Tom's family – the Stambergers – who had survived the war and lived in and near Ostrava. They believed that they had no family left and Tom did not know of them at all, so it was a hugely emotional experience when 18 of them came to meet us!



Some of Tom's new-found family! Tom is centre, back row. Peter at the end, on the left

Michal, Libuše and Radan led us on a walking tour of central Ostrava, taking in the main sites, stopping to look at the *Stolpersteine* in the area.



George Roden (geb Jiří Rosenstein) returned to his old house, outside which were three *Stolpersteine*. George remembers the main synagogue burning. It was late afternoon and people were kept away from the site by German soldiers.



Peter Gordy (geb. Goldberger) had laid three *Stolpersteine* outside the building where his grandfather ran a successful sausage skin business. It is now Bernie's Irish Bar and Peter has just recovered possession of the property after many years of effort

Peter and Carol Gordy, outside "their" bar

On Sunday evening we held a small informal reception in the hotel and invited people from Ostrava who have been and continue to be helpful and important to our Ostrava project:

- Mrs Garajová and Mrs Čaplová of the Board of the Ostrava Jewish Community
- Dr Zdeněk Sladovnik of the Lord Mayor's Office, and his wife
- PhDr Blažena Przybylová, the Ostrava City archivist
- Mgr. Hana Šustková, whom we met in the Ostrava City Archive and who started to organise and catalogue our archive material. She is now the Archivist of Vítkovice.
- Dr Jiří Jung, who is now employed by the Jewish Museum in Prague (although he lives in Ostrava) to work on our archive.

Overall, there were almost 50 of our party, with people from England, USA, Austria, Israel, Germany, Poland and the Czech Republic – an indication of the worldwide Ostravak network!

Tom and Peter were not the only people with family. Leo Wiener's cousin, Richard Wurzel, who lives in Ostrava, came and met us all.

On Tuesday, we went to the new Jewish Cemetery in Slezká Ostrava where we saw the newly installed memorial plaques and were professionally photographed:



Group photograph

and where we recited a special *Kel Moleh Rachamim* for all the Ostravaks murdered by the Nazis.

Then we drove to Vítkovice, past the site of the destroyed synagogue, now a school field and on to the Jewish Community Centre where we were received by the President, Mrs Garajová, who had been in Terezin as a 3year old girl. In the shul, Alex Portnoy once again recited the Ostrava version of *Kel Moleh Rachamim*.

In the afternoon we drove to the main railway station, to the site of the new Memorial to the Nisko deportees (see Newsletter #12 for more details of that

memorial) and then to the site of the old Jewish Cemetery and the memorial there, unveiled originally by President Havel.



Then we all drove to the City Art Gallery which is normally closed on Monday but which was opened especially for us to see an exhibition, mounted particularly for our party, of works by Ostrava Jewish artists: David Friedmann, Leo Haas, Oskar Kokoschka, and Salomon Salomonowitz (the uncle of Mischa and Pepek).



In the hall of the gallery, Czech television interviewed George Roden, Peter Auerbach and Peter Gordy. This is Peter Gordy.

After this cultural feast, we drove onto the New Town Hall where we were received in the Council Chamber by the Deputy Lord Mayor, Dr Lukáš Ženatý. The Lord Mayor, with the Director of the Art Gallery, was in Prague for a presentation in Parliament of Ostrava's application to become the City Of Culture (see below)

Dr Lukáš Ženatý on the right, with Dr Sladovnick who was translating, in the Council Chamber. Note the presence of Czech television cameras.



It was very striking and touching that the City authorities clearly regarded us as welcome and important visitors and did everything they could to make our trip as

successful as possible. They seemed as interested as we were in re-establishing the links to the City's Jewish history and culture.

Reports of our visit appeared in the national press:



Jan Bettelheim kindly translated the main points of the article for those of us not fluent in Czech:

DNES 29.06.2010

'Ostraváci' from Kingston arrived to our city

It is now also in Ostrava, and not only in Prague and *Kolín*, that you will encounter brass memorial tablets, so called Stolpersteine, reminding us of the past Jewish inhabitants of the houses, who perished in the holocaust. Production of the tablets and their setting into pavements, was arranged by the descendants of Ostrava Jews who are presently visiting the city for a few days. Yesterday their programme included sightseeing the city, meeting at the city hall and in the offices of the Jewish community.

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Citizens of Kingston honouring their ancestors.

Ostrava is hosting an unusual expedition. Descendants of the past Jewish citizens of Ostrava, many of which perished during the WW2, particularly from England, came to our city. They honoured the memory of their ancestors by the means of 'stones of those who perished'.

When Jiří Roden tells of his childhood in Ostrava he describes moments of happiness but also of horror which came with the outbreak of the war.

Unfortunately I was the only one of our family who managed to escape from Czechoslovakia, says the 87 years old gentleman who has lived in England since 1946. He arrived to Ostrava this Sunday for a few days. He arrived together with several tens of other descendants of Jewish families originating from Ostrava who's fates were often severely affected by the war. Descendants of the Ostrava Jews organized around the synagogue of the London suburb of Kingston came to Ostrava to pay homage to their ancestors who perished in holocaust. They decided to do it in an original way. In front of houses, where their families

used to live before the war they arranged at their own expense to set so called Stolpersteine, i.e. stones of the perished ones.

The public therefore saw today some 27 embossed tablets carrying names and personal data of the past house inhabitants. There are also tablets in the Jewish Memorial Hall in Slezská Ostrava.

I arranged for 3 Stolpersteine in front of the house in Chelčického Street commemorating my parents and my brother said Jiří Roden.

Besides Chelčického Street Ostrava citizens will find stones of perished ones also for instance in Street of 28. Řijna in front of the restaurant Pelikán, where used to stand till 1944 the department store Rix or in Poděbradova Street in front of Bernie's Irish Pub past home of family Goldberg and Engel. Before the war there lived some 10000 Jews in Ostrava, the third largest Jewish community in Czech lands. They were scattered by the war during which some 8000 perished. After the war only about 250 Jews returned, these days only a few tens of citizens belong to the Jewish faith.

Many of the descendants of Jewish families have experienced complicated fates. Jiří Roden, originally named Rosenstein, managed to leave Czechoslovakia only 3 weeks before the beginning of the war. That in spite of the horrors spreading throughout Europe with a great deal of good luck.

I was helped by my brother's school friend who studied medicine in Prague. His father established only when he was 60 years old, that he was born on board of an English ship in a British port. He applied for a British nationality, which the authorities granted to him and his entire family. Thanks to these people I managed to get to England before the war, recalls Jiří Roden, who was only 16 years old when he left Czechoslovakia without knowing a word of English..

He did get to an English family in the city of Boston, started to learn the tailoring trade and later served in RAF. I had no news of my family during the war, only later I learnt that all of them perished, recalls Jiří Roden and stays silent.

After the war he spent a year in Ostrava, then left for England.. Originally he thought that it would be for a short while but then he stayed until today. He worked in a company which produced outfits even for the Royal Family. Since 1990 he came back to Ostrava a few times. Yesterday he went sightseeing with the rest of the group as well as the meeting in the city hall. He will stay till Wednesday.

The broadcast by Czech TV was recorded by our indefatigable Libuše and David has a DVD of it. He can make further copies for anyone who wants one.

Other reports appeared in a number of other newspapers and journals and there is a partial list given as an Appendix.

This was not all the special events that the City organized for us. On Monday evening, there was a chamber concert with the Brno String Quartet in the Rothschild Castle in Vítkovice. And, as a wonderful extra, Evelyn Rixová (now McGilloway) played the *Valse Melancholique* composed by her father for her mother. Some of you will remember her playing it in Kingston at the last Ostravak gathering in March. It sounds much better on a concert grand!



On Tuesday, most of us went to Auschwitz-Birkenau. That is an experience impossible (at least for me) to describe.

In Birkenau, Mischa got permission for us to go up into the watch tower above the main entrance to the camp, overlooking the railway lines. It was a very hot day and the watch tower has windows on all four sides and only one small window could open



Inside, the temperature was probably 35° C. Listening to Alex Portnoy reciting psalms and memorial prayers for all those Jews murdered by the Nazis, while looking out at the railway lines leading to the site of the gas chambers, was overwhelming



At the far end of the lines there is now a Memorial. That commemorates the death, terror and destruction that are in the past. In Mischa Salomonovič, we had our own living memorial that looks to survival, the future, hope and life:



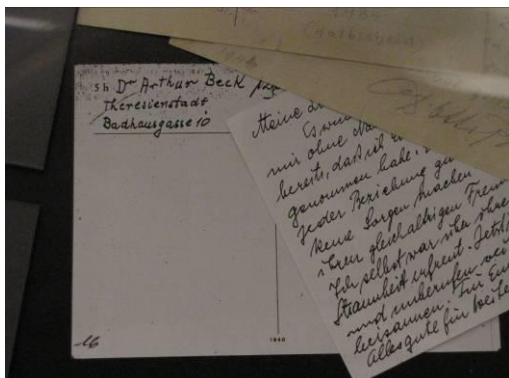
Ruth Portnoy's grandfather, Rabbi Forscher, was sent by the Bobover Rebbe to be the Rabbi, Chazan, Shochet and Mohel at the Zábřeh synagogue in Ostrava so, on our return to Ostrava, Radan took us to find the site of the synagogue which had been destroyed by the Germans in 1939. We also looked for the house at number 8, 1st of May Street, where some of his family lived. The site of the house was now an open car sales lot, but number 12 was a bar, *Pivnice u Žida*. Even my non-existent Czech could translate that as *Beerhall at the Jew's Place*. The site of the synagogue is now a petrol station, but the view across the road to the Vítkovice Steelworks cannot have changed much for almost 100 years, and Rabbi Forscher would have looked at the same view that we did.



Back at our hotel in Ostrava, Margaret and Fred Austin (geb. Alfred Stiller) joined us. Fred introduced us to Judita Freundlichová (geb. Silbersteinová) who also lives in Ostrava and is a member of the Jewish community. Fred had met her through a contact of his in the Rotary Club!

After all that emotion, Wednesday was a quiet day, with a walk round Ostrava and then the flight back to Prague where we were met by Dr Michal Frankl of the Jewish Museum, who talked to us about the collaboration between the Kingston Ostrava Group, the Jewish Museum and the US Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington.

On Thursday, the group split into three. One group went on their own walking tour of Prague while another joined a guided tour of the Jewish Museum, organized by Michal. The rest of us went to Terezín.



In the Museum, we found a pre-addressed postcard written by Dr Artur Beck, Felix and Jomi Beck's uncle.

The Germans laid a railway track into the middle of Terezin, so that Jews could more efficiently be loaded into the cattle trucks for deportation "To the East".

There is now a memorial to mark the spot.



The overall impression of our trip can be summed up in the comments of Brian Fisher, Peter Auerbach and Jomi Beck, emphasising the connections with the past and those who were murdered, connections with unknown family members, and connections with the members of the worldwide Ostrava network:

"a great thank you to David and all the Ostravaks for making this trip both so relaxing, so moving and enjoyable at the same time. I feel I reconnected with my mother's life more than at any time since she died." (Brian Fisher)

"I must say that when I first decided that I would like to participate in this Ostrava group's honoring the victims from Ostrava lost to the holocaust I thought that would be most special and memorable. Never would I have imagined that in addition we would find family lost for more than 60 years, and that they would be lovely beyond words. (Peter Auerbach)

"Personally I found it a most moving and rewarding experience. Although there were sad memories the atmosphere amongst the participants was one of great friendliness and considering that most of us did not know each other very well prior to the visit, or so I believe, it seemed to me that we had all been great friends for many years. (Jomi Beck)

Radan writes:

Please, express in the newsletter our thanks to everybody who came or who participated on preparations. We had a great time together and it was an extreme pleasure for the whole family to be around and help. We are very pleased and delighted by all the e-letters we received afterwards from many people. Thanks a lot!

We gave Samuel, Radan's son, a DVD as a small compensation for all the time his father spent with us and Radan writes, on his behalf:

The DVD with postman Pat has a great success. I had to watch it with Sam already ten times at least. Thanks a lot.

Matters Financial

When we started planning the *Stolperstein* Project and our trip to Ostrava, the euro was worth about 90p and looked set to strengthen against the pound. In the event, the pound strengthened. We also added a modest % to all costs, to cover the administrative effort. The result is that there is an excess of £1500 in total. This has NOT been used to subsidise David's trip but has been added to the Ostrava Archive Fund.

So far this year, we have given 7 talks to groups in the UK and they have donated, in total, £200 to the Ostrava Fund.

This means that we will be able to cover at least some of the costs of re-scanning or re-photographing material in our archive to an acceptable standard.

Ostrava, European Capital of Culture

In 2015, one Belgian city and one Czech city will be named as European Capitals of Culture. The Belgian city will be Mons-Bergen while there is a contest between Plzeň (Pilsen) and Ostrava for the nomination for the Czech Republic. Ostrava has designed a new logo for the occasion:

OSTRAVA!!!

and a new advertising campaign:



There is a website devoted to the bid:

<http://www.ostrava2015.cz/web/structure/co-je-evropske-hlavni-mesto-kultury-8.html?lang=en>

and we have already appeared as part of it:

[http://www.ostrava2015.cz/web/structure/aktuality-103.html?do\[loadData\]=1&itemKey=en_179](http://www.ostrava2015.cz/web/structure/aktuality-103.html?do[loadData]=1&itemKey=en_179)

I have promised Dr Ženatý and Dr Sladovník that we will organise another trip to Ostrava in 2015, when they are the European Capital of Culture.

The Lord Mayor and the Director of the Art Gallery were in Prague, presenting the Ostrava case in Parliament on the Monday of our visit, which is why we did not meet either of them.

News Thursday, June 10th, 2010

By: Chris Johnstone

Ostrava bankrolls centrepiece for city of culture bid

The city of Ostrava has earmarked 2.0 billion crowns for investment in its flagship project to be selected as one of the European capitals of culture in 2015. City leaders agreed to set aside the investment for plans to transform the Černá Louka area of the city through construction of a concert hall, art gallery, music pavilion and new flats. The city estimates total costs linked to the capital of culture plans at around 3.75 billion crowns. Ostrava is competing with the west Bohemian city of Pilsen to be selected for the designation

Our Archive

As you know, Kingston Ostrava Group (KOG) is working with the Jewish Museum in Prague (JMP) and the US Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington (USHMM) to make our archive available to researchers worldwide. This involves making digital/electronic copies of the material, cataloguing and indexing it, and making it available online.

KOG were able to employ Hana Šustková for 3 months to begin to catalogue some of the material. Dr Jiří Jung has now been employed on a temporary contract by JMP to work on our archive. He is based in Ostrava. He has already been through some of our material and found that the quality of some of the material is not of a high enough quality ideally to be archived.

As we are reviewing all the material collected so far, we might ask your to provide better quality scans or photos. Generally, photographs and documents of high visual quality (drawings, pictures, etc.) should be scanned at 600dpi or more and scans of printed documents at 200dpi. Photographs should be of high resolution and taken straight onto the subject so there is no distortion or shadows. Making a scan of reasonable quality is always preferred to taking a photograph.

Some of the material we have does not meet these standards and we would like to go back to the original materials, if possible, and rescan or re-photograph. Where there is this need, we will contact you about it to try and make the necessary arrangements.

The JMP is committed to document Jewish life in Czech(oslovakia) or of Jews from Czech(oslovakia) in the 20th century and collects photos, documents or objects of both personal and official nature. The JMP is interested in obtaining materials illustrating not only major events, but also the daily life of Jews in the pre-WWII period, during the Holocaust, as well as in the post-WWII period, in Czechoslovakia or in exile. They are interested in materials of all sorts, personal and family as well as more apparently historical important material

Original materials are even better than good scans, of course. If you have original documents, photographs or other artefacts and are willing to donate them to the JMP, **please let David or Monica know**, or contact Dr Michal Frankl of the Jewish Museum in Prague directly (michal.frankl@jewishmuseum.cz).

Heirs sought

We are searching for the **Bendetz** family, formerly from Ostrava in Czechoslovakia. There were (at least) four siblings in the BENDETZ family:

- Karel BENDETZ married to Henrietta
Henrietta died in Ostrava on 4 August 1936 while Karel died in the Shoa.
- Ferdinand BENDETZ
- Simon BENDETZ
- A sister BENDETZ married to **BRONNER** who had two children:
 - Ferdinand BRONNER is believed to have escaped to London
 - Marie **Stemmer**, believed to have escaped to Haifa, Israel

We are searching for the **GROSS** family members originally from Ostrava. They all relate to Jindrich (Heinrich or Henry) GROSS who perished in the Holocaust.

1. Bedrich GROSS, brother of Jindrich, lived in Tel Aviv in 1949
2. Irma **KUHAR**(ova) nee **SCHOSTAL**, a niece was living in Nathanya, Israel
3. Rudolf SCHOSTAL, a nephew, also lived in Nathanya, Israel in 1949

It is possible that Irma KUHAR and Rudolf SCHOSTAL also lived in the USA. .

Do you know any of these people or can you provide any contacts for them? They might be heirs to property in Ostrava. Please let David Lawson know if you have any information.

Information about Ostravaks

Bertie Goldberg writes:

"I shall be celebrating my 91st birthday in July. I am still going to the office every day, being the first one in and with Hannah who comes in the afternoons the last one out. We were brought up with such a work culture and can not change.

By the way Arpad Goldstein you mentioned was a furrier and made my mothers fur coats. He came to England and one of his sons a solicitor is a members of our Shul. He died long ago and his widow married and lives now in Tel Aviv. We are very friendly with them.

Mazal Tov and Happy Birthday, Bertie!

The Ghetto Fighters' Museum in Israel is making a film about Erich Lichtblau, (Eli Leskly). He designed the windows in the RIX department store. Some of his paintings are in the Los Angeles Holocaust Museum.

Peter Barber found us through Jaroslav Klenovský. He writes:

My father, Dr Fred (Fritz) Barber (1905-2000) came from Brno and together we visited his childhood home in Ostrava (Bahnhofstrasse/Nádražní 15) in 1986 and again ten years later. I have photos of him in the Jewish secondary school including some pupils who eventually ended up in London - eg Otto Rosenberg and Edith Roseberg née Loewi and Bruno Goldmann. My grandfather, Moritz Barber (1872-1937) moved to Ostrava with his parents Salomon (1829-1896) and Helene/Lea Barber (1841-1899) in about 1890. Helene was a born Feiner and her brother David Feiner also lived in Ostrava for a long period, as did their brother (?) Adolf Feiner.

Michael Deiml, who describes himself as a descendant of Ostrava Jews, is a sculptor. He has designed the Memorial to the Jews of Černovice and has sent me some information and photos of it.

Lilly Reiser Recieves the Karel Kramář Commemorative Medal for Holocaust Survivors from Jan Fischer, the Czech Prime Minister, in New York.

Koncert se konal u příležitosti návštěvy pana premiéra a mezinárodního dne vzpomínky na holocaust. Hosty pozdravili velvyslanec ČR u OSN Martin Palouš a generální konzulka České republiky v New Yorku Eliška Žigová, která přítomné seznámila s proklamací kterou u příležitosti koncertu zaslal starosta New Yorku Michael Bloomberg. V zaplněném sále České národní budovy bylo přes 250 návštěvníků.



Rabín Arthur Schneier, duchovní vůdce a zakladatel nadace Apel svědomí (Appeal of Conscience Foundation) promluvil k hostům koncertu, které pozdravili také předseda vlády Jan Fischer, prezident Ramapo College Peter Mercer a pan Eric Mayer. V průběhu večera pan premiér také ocenil sedm přeživších období holokaustu pamětní medailí Karla Kramáře

Lilly visited Prague and Ostrava in April and Radan, who supplied the information above, write "She visited Prague and Ostrava last week and was very proud of this event and the medal she got. We spent some time together and it was a big fun."

I met Otto Deutsch at a talk I gave in Southend. His father was Viktor, born 21/12 1888 in Holleschau . He went to school in Teschen and later moved to Ostrava. He had a brother, Hugo. Viktor went to Vienna and was a pastry-cook in one of the high-class coffee shops. Unfortunately, Otto knows little more than that and even the wonderful Libuše has not been able to provide any more information. Do you know the family?

Trudy (Gertrude) Marriott was also at the Southend talk. Her mother was Regina Trabič from Ostrava. Do you know anything about her?

Susan MIZNER(geb Bauer) was born in 1926 and left Ostrava in 1935 with her parents to go to Palestine. Her father (Bedřich Bauer) was a Director of the Czech Bank and was sent to their Ostrava branch. He was born in Prague. Her mother was Růža Porges. Do you know the family?

Ralph Altmann comes from Orlova. He found us through an article in the *Jewish Chronicle!*. He writes:

My grandfather was Emil Altmann, he served in the Imperial Austrian army. He was married to Ottilie, both died of natural causes before the war and are buried in the Jewish section of the municipal cemetery in Orlova.

They had 3 sons Felix, Erich (my dad) and Rudi. My dad and Felix had a business together in Hamburg before the war. My dad went to England in 1937, Felix, I believe survived the war somehow, came to England, fell out with my father and emigrated to New Zealand where the trail ends.

Rudi died with his wife Annie (coincidentally my wife's name) and son Emil in the camps.

My dad met Rachel Schaffer (a Polish refugee) and they married in 1940 in Hendon Synagogue. 2 children my sister Elisabeth born 1941 and me, born 1944. There was one elderly surviving member some 13 years ago called Robert Altmann but I fear he has passed on now.

Ilana Kirschner (geb Barber) was given our name by Shlomo David. She lives in Israel and writes:

My parents were both born in Orlova, my mother Grete Bochner April 29, 1905, my father Heinrich Barber, December 28, 1903. After their marriage they moved to Ostrava where I was born May 6, 1931. My mother's sister Erna, born April 1, 1900, married to Erich Mayer, was born in Prerov. They too lived in Ostrava and had 2 sons: Walter born March 12, 1923 and Hans born April 13, 1925.

And, of course, we now have all the new members of our network from our visit to Ostrava:

- Richard Wurzel
- Judita Freundlichová (geb Silbersteinová)
- Henryk Jurkowski (geb Jachcel).
- Jerzy Jurkowski.
- Wieslaw Jurkowski

and the Stumberger side of Tom's family:

- Klaudia Eibenová
- Anton Eiben
- Irena Eibenová + 2 kids
- Evžen Černoch
- Dita Eibenová + 1 child
- Marek Pražák
- Dora Assenza + 1 child
- Gaudenz Assenza
- Anna Klepalová (15 years old)
- Jindřich Rusek
- Miloslava Rusková
- Lucie Rusková + boyfriend
- Filip Rusek

Old pals re-united

Dr Sladovnik wrote:

My wife meets once a week some friends and they speak English so that they would not forget the language too much. Milan, a older man who comes there, too, was very unhappy that he did not know earlier about Kingston Ostravaci group coming to our city. He remembers very well George Roden, when he was here after the war in his beautiful English uniform. He would like at least to write to him but I have no contact with George.

We have put them back in touch!

As always, we would like to know about any more Ostravaks and to have more information about the ones we already know about. Please let us know.

Let us be the first ones to wish you all a *Shana Tovah* and a Happy New Year!

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