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HOUSE OF LITHUANIA MAY MEETING POTLUCK

Saturday, May 10, 2008

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

Visitors welcome! For directions please call
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News From Lithuania

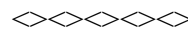
*Golden Age for amber may be over in the
Baltics*

May 01, 2008

By Yury Sogis

The color yellow: Amber has long been cherished in the Baltics. Now merchants are facing a crisis.

The time when huddled masses of foreign tourists headed straight from the airport to local gift shops to buy amber artifacts may be coming to an end in the Baltics. Merchants are concerned that amber jewelry sales are declining and complain that public interest toward amber is fading away. “I can’t say that amber sales are sky-rocketing, it’s quite the opposite,” says a manager at the Vilnius Amber Museum. Most buyers are tourists from Italy, Spain, and Japan. Tourists like animal figures carved out of amber, yet little ship models are not very popular with them, no matter how elegantly they are designed. Edita Koziroviciute-Miuvene, who owns the largest chain of souvenir shops in Lithuania, says that amber sales are down.
–From the Baltic Times.



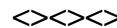
ETHNIC FOOD FAIR BALBOA PARK—MAY 25th

The House of Lithuania will set up its tent on Sunday, May 25th, and continue the tradition brought to San Diego by Titus Samys, President of the House of Lithuania in the early 1980s, and the President of the House of Pacific Relations (HPR) in those years.

International groups coming together to share their national foods was new to San Diego, but has become a permanent event for the International Cottages that make up the HPR. House of Lithuania will offer samples of the Lithuanian favorite Šaltibarščiai!

For some Houses in HPR this event is a fundraiser, and other Houses would accept donations. The House of Lithuania’s fundraisers are the Lawn Program in July and December Nights/ International Christmas, the first Friday and Saturday in December.

The Food Fair will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the food booths will be on the Lawn by the Cottages and along Pan American Road and Pan American Way, beginning at the corner of President’s Way. That’s the corner where the tent of the House of Lithuania will be found.



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