

The Fifth Information Letter

THE JANUSH KORCZAK ASSOCIATION IN RUSSIA TATAR STATE HUMANITIES AND TEACHERS TRAINING UNIVERSITY

**invite you to submit papers for
an International Conference “HUMANIZATION OF CHILDHOOD
AREA”, devoted to 20th anniversary of Janusz Korczak Association
in Russia**

**Kazan – Samara – Saratov – Volgograd - Kazan,
July 5-11, 2011**

Primary among the goals of this conference is the critical assessment and analysis of humanistic ideas on education in the context of the complex and diverse problems of the 21st century society and the quest for new ways of humanization of school.

Despite widespread consensus on the need for humanization and democratization of school, however few agree on the means or ends to realize such regeneration. Still most educators regard the humanistic traditions of Pedagogy the main background of this reform. This conference will provide a forum for the presentation of theory and practice of humanization and democratization of modern education.

Most preferable will be considered presentations on the following topics:

- Janusz Korczak’s pedagogical ideas on education in the context of the reformatory education of the 20th century
- humanistic traditions of pedagogy;
- the dialogues of cultures and the culture of dialogue in organizing humanistic interrelations;
- humanistic ideas in training educators as exponents of culture;
- new tendencies in solving problems of moral, citizenship and humanistic education;
- the world of childhood in the educative system;
- using the humanistic pedagogical ideas in school practice, in orphanages;
- problems and the practice of help to a child in orphanages;
- the youth activities in Korczak movement.

With foreign educators we want to make common cause to facilitate communication between universities, students, schools, orphanages and educators in the Republic of Tatarstan.

There will be opportunities for discussion with the presenters and other participants at each session, as well as for establishing informal contacts with Russian educators and the members of the Janusz Korczak

association. We believe that the conference will become a good stimulus for a number of mutual educational projects.

The conference is designed for university professors, lecturers, school and orphanage principals, teachers, educators, students and other people concerned about humanistic and democratic education.

We invite for participation interested foreign educators, psychologists, school board administrators, school principals and teachers.

The Conference will be organized aboard a three-deck ship named after VALERY CHKALOV. We'll go along the Volga-river from Kazan to Volgograd (Stalingrad). This passenger ship features «luxe» cabins; single, double and triple-bed cabins of increased comfort; single, double and triple-bed cabins with all modern conveniences. In 2007 it underwent complete renovation and gained a new look. Only up-to-date and eco-friendly materials and natural wood were used for the decoration of cabins. Now all the cabins are equipped with private bath (shower, toilet, washbasin), air conditioning, refrigerator, telephone for internal communication, a socket for 220 V, the new modern furniture. To date, a three -deck passenger ship named after VALERY CHKALOV meets the European quality standard. On its board you will find two restaurants, a bar, beer bar, conference hall, equipped with modern equipment, music room, playground, health center. On the boat is a modern air-conditioning and satellite TV (the **video** about the ship you may see on <http://rutube.ru/tracks/3275273.html>)

The meeting will be held in the Conference Hall on board the ship. We are planning to have stops in three Volga cities – Samara, Saratov and Volgograd (Stalingrad) and have there not only an interesting excursion programme, but a meeting with educators and visiting some schools and Children's Leisure Centres.

Conference fee: transfer from airport or railway station, three meals a day, guided tours and a state-room, learning materials, publishing the abstracts before the conference beginning, interpreters are included into registration fee make a payment of \$ 1200 (or 900euro).

Dear friends! After the negotiations with the tourist company the conference fee has changed once more. As the previous ships I wrote about in the announcements beforehand gave high prices to the cruise, we chose another ship VALERY CHKALOV. That's why the Janush Korczak Society in Russia will be able to give a financial support only in \$ 350 (or 270 euro) for two participants from each national Korczak Society – Member of the IKA.

The Application fee of \$ 850 should be sent by everybody before 20th of December 2010.

The second part of Application fee of \$ 350 (or 270 euro) should be sent before 15th of March 2011. Two members of national Korczak societies who receive the financial support of the Russian Korczak society are not to send the second part of Application fee.

Application fee should be sent by Western Union Transfer to Valeeva Roza Alexeyevna, Kazan, Russia (passport number 92 02 971253).

Please inform Roza Valeeva by e-mail (valeykin@yandex.ru) immediately after sending money about:

- **Money Transfer Control Number,**
- **the full name of the sender,**
- **the amount of translation,**
- **the country of origin.**

Those interested in lecturing on the above subjects are requested to mail **the presentation abstract** before **March 15, 2011**. We are planning to publish the proceedings of the conference before the Conference. The languages of the Conference are Russian and English.

One can get Kazan by night train from Moscow (12 hours, the price of the ticket is about \$80), or by air (1.30 hours, the price of the ticket is about \$100, the tickets for TPANSAERO planes can be cheaper).

Please inform about the date and time of coming to Kazan. There's an opportunity of organizing one more extra-excursion to St. Petersburg and Moscow after returning to Kazan (6 days) for those who want (about \$800). The extra-excursion may be organized only to one of these cities (St. Petersburg or Moscow). Please inform who wants to take an extra-excursion.

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Please, complete the enclosed Application Form 2 and return it to prof. Roza Valeeva by 15th of December 2010.

APPLICATION FORM 2.

First Name _____ Family Name _____ Title _____

Place of work _____ Position _____ Telephone No. _____

Mailing Address [Street name and number, city, ZIP code, phone number):

Passport No:

E-mail Address:

Field of expertise:

The title of the report:

The date and time of coming to Kazan –

The date and time of leaving Kazan –

Will you take an extra-excursion to St. Petersburg and Moscow (\$800) -

Will you take an extra-excursion only to St. Petersburg (\$400)-

Will you take an extra-excursion only to Moscow (\$400) -

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Please send the copy of your passport.

Signature

Date –