

A Note from Paul Rozman



Kres to Hold Annual Performance

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_jduS2Oa5TI

August, 2008, CLEVELAND— The Slovenian folk dancing group, Folklorna skupina Kres proudly presents its annual performance which will be held on Saturday, September 13, 2008 at 7:00 p.m at the Slovenian National Home (6417 Saint Clair Avenue • Cleveland, Ohio 44103). Consisting of 135 dancers ranging in age from kindergarten to college-aged, the group promises to thrill audiences with contagiously energetic Slovenian polkas, lively skits and song, as well as traditional dances originating from the various regions of beautiful Slovenia. Dance is a crucial part of any culture. The members of Kres are dedicated to sharing the joy of song and dance and educating the public on age old, ethnic traditions from Slovenia. From exquisite and colorful traditional costuming, to historically researched choreography and stylized dances, performances appeal to audiences of all ages and backgrounds. Folklorna skupina Kres extends a most sincere invitation to attend the September 13, performance which will be followed by dancing with food and drink available throughout the evening. Tickets are \$15.00 for all adult tickets and table seats, and \$5.00 for all child balcony and child floor seating. Tickets are on sale now! Call Sonia Kolarič to reserve your tickets or table at (440)-256-1546. The Slovenian National Home is located at 6417 Saint Clair Avenue • Cleveland, Ohio 44103.

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On August 4, 2008 I had the opportunity to meet with Ambassador Samuel Žbogar at the Embassy in the Republic of Slovenia in Washington DC. We had the opportunity to talk about many exciting times that we shared in Washington and Cleveland over the past four years. I look forward to renewing our friendship in Slovenia in the near future.

Phil Hrvatin

Pending the arrival of an ambassador, Ms Miriam T. Možgan, Deputy Chief of Mission will act as Charge d'Affaires a.i.

Slovenians in the News

August 2008 - Maj. Gen. Frank Gorenc was assigned as Director of Air and Space Operations, Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Virginia.

Photo right: Maj. Gen. Frank Gorenc US Air Force and Colonel Anrej Lipar Defense, Military, Naval & Air Attaché Slovenia June 25, 2008 Embassy of Slovenia Washington DC



Photo by Phil Hrvatin



Source: <http://www.af.mil/bios/bio.asp?bioID=7915>

MAJOR GENERAL FRANK GORENC

Maj. Gen. Frank Gorenc is Director of Air and Space Operations, Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley Air Force Base, Va. He is responsible to the Commander, Air Combat Command, on all matters pertaining to the direct operational planning, training, command and controlling functions to deploy and employ regular and Reserve component combat air forces, including more than 1,900 aircraft, in support of U.S. security objectives.

General Gorenc was born in Ljubljana, Slovenia. He earned his commission in 1979 as a distinguished graduate from the U.S. Air Force Academy. He has commanded a fighter squadron, an operations group and two wings. General Gorenc has also served at the Pentagon as Chief, Studies, Analysis and Gaming Division on the Joint Staff. Prior to assuming his current position, he was the Commander, Air Force District of Washington.

The general is a command pilot with more than 4,100 flight hours and has served as the F-15C East Coast Demonstration Team pilot.

EDUCATION

- 1979 Distinguished graduate, Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 1983 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence
- 1986 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
- 1986 NATO Tactical Leadership Program, Jever AB, West Germany
- 1988 Distinguished graduate, U.S. Air Force Fighter Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
- 1989 Master of Aeronautical Science degree, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Fla.
- 1994 Air War College, by seminar
- 1995 Master of Science degree in national security strategy, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 2006 Joint Force Air Component Commander Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2007 Capstone Flag Officer Course, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 2008 Joint Flag Officer Warfighter Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2008 Defense Policy Seminar, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1979 - December 1980, student, undergraduate pilot training, Vance AFB, Okla.
2. December 1980 - April 1984, T-38A instructor pilot and flight examiner, 25th Flying Training Squadron, Vance AFB, Okla.
3. April 1984 - August 1984, student, F-15 Replacement Training Unit, Luke AFB, Ariz.
4. August 1984 - April 1988, F-15C aircraft commander, flight examiner and flight commander, 525th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Bitburg AB, West Germany
5. April 1988 - October 1991, F-15C aircraft commander and Chief, Weapons and Tactics, 94th Fighter Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
6. October 1991 - March 1992, Chief, Weapons and Tactics, 1st Fighter Wing, Langley AFB, Va.
7. March 1992 - June 1992, aide to the Commander, Tactical Air Command, Langley AFB, Va.
8. June 1992 - September 1993, aide to the Commander, Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.
9. September 1993 - August 1994, Chief, Operational Officer Assignments Branch, ACC, Langley AFB, Va.
10. August 1994 - September 1995, student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
11. September 1995 - January 1996, operations officer, 390th Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho



12. January 1996 - June 1997, Commander, 390th Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
13. June 1997 - January 1998, special assistant to Operations Group Commander, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
14. January 1998 - December 2000, Chief, Studies, Analysis and Gaming Division, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
15. December 2000 - August 2002, Commander, 18th Operations Group, Kadena AB, Japan
16. August 2002 - September 2003, special assistant to U.S. European Command/Supreme Allied Commander Europe, Mons, Belgium
17. September 2003 - June 2005, Commander, 1st Fighter Wing, Langley AFB, Va.
18. June 2005 - July 2006, Commander, 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing, Balad AB, Iraq
19. August 2006 - June 2007, Director, Operational Plans and Joint Matters, Deputy Chief of Staff for Air, Space and Information Operations, Plans and Requirements, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
20. June 2007 - August 2008, Commander, Air Force District of Washington, Andrews AFB, Md.
21. August 2008 - present, Director of Air and Space Operations, Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command pilot

Flight hours: More than 4,100

Aircraft flown: T-38A, F-15C, MQ-1B and UH-1N

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Airman's Medal

Bronze Star Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with silver oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Combat Readiness Medal with four oak leaf clusters

National Defense Service Medal with bronze star

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal

Southwest Asia Service Medal with bronze star

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2006 Joseph A. Moller Trophy, Air Combat Command's Outstanding Wing Commander

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 30, 1979

First Lieutenant May 30, 1981

Captain May 30, 1983

Major June 1, 1990

Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 1994

Colonel Sept. 1, 1998

Brigadier General Oct. 1, 2005

Major General Feb. 1, 2008

(Current as of August 2008)