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FUNDRAISER FOR THE YOUTH OF UKRAINE**

The youth of Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Christian Fellowship are sponsoring a Dance-A-Thon on October 7, from 10 am to 10 pm for the youth of Ukraine. These young people of Ukraine have experienced war first hand and many are suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) The Dance-A-Thon will be held at the Ukrainian Hall, on the corner of Arbor Street and Evergreen Road, Lyndora.

This humanitarian fundraiser is many-fold: to bring to light the plight of these suffering youth; their strength to continue their life's journey in the ever-increasing conflict of war, their desire to be reunited with their friends and family in their communities across Ukraine; and to live in freedom.

The Dance-A-Thon goal is \$5,000. Men, women and youth of ALL ages may help to reach this goal by "participating, spectating and donating." All are welcome to come throughout the day to dance, to sponsor a person who is dancing, or to enjoy watching the dancers. Dance music will be played throughout the day; and between 6 and 9 pm, local DJ Marty Tack will host music from the 50s, 60s and early 70s for individuals who love classic oldies. The first 300 individuals to attend this event will receive a free highlighter imprinted with "Dance-A-Thon for Ukrainian Kids"

Dance-A-Thon Fundraiser continued:

All monies received will be sent to the youth of Ukraine through the Ukrainian Cultural and Humanitarian Institute (UCHI), a non-profit, non-government organization recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501 c (3). Confirmation of UCHI can be made by calling toll free within Pennsylvania 1(800)732-0999.

UCHI has sponsored ten art therapy rehabilitation and skills development programs for children orphaned and displaced by the Russian Federation's invasion of Ukraine. Each program brings 50-53 children mostly from south and east Ukraine for an intensive ten-day program in Zamlynnya Ukraine near the Polish border where they work with psychologists, medical doctors, master artists, and therapists to deal with the traumatic stress from which they suffer and to build life skills to carry them into the future as capable, productive young people who will rebuild their lives and their country.

For those wanting to support this fundraiser, but are unable to attend, cheques may be sent to:

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