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Dear Kremenets district friends,

We hope this Passover season finds you and your family happy and healthy. We are writing with three purposes: to forward some news from Kremenets and a request from community member Alex Dunai, who lives in Lviv, Ukraine; to share information on Kremenets-district datasets that we have recently translated; and to remind you to submit your family photos to KDRG Faces.

News from Kremenets: ["Fragments of downed Russian missile damage fertilizer reservoir, well water undrinkable for 3-4 days"](#): Thanks to Andrew Goldberg for sharing this news.

Request from Alex Dunai: KDRG Board Member Enid Cherenson writes, "I received the email below ... from my friend Alex Dunai who lives in Lviv. (Alex is a genealogist and was our Ukrainian tour guide when my cousins and I traveled there in 2011; we have kept in touch through the years.) He is an honorable and trustworthy man. Alex and his family decided to remain in Lviv to assist in the war effort even though they have the option to leave." Alex has done translation for KDRG and has guided other community members during visits to Ukraine.

Alex made the following request: "One more thing that I ask everybody whom I know in the UK, if anybody knows people who possess old pick-up trucks or big jeep-like vehicles, that can have rusty body and worn out and damaged interior, but RUN well enough: perhaps somebody wants to donate them to the Ukrainian army. We have contacts who can come over to collect them and deliver to Poland and then to Ukraine. If the mechanical part needs some fixing, no problem.

We are running out of these vehicles in Eastern and Central Europe and we can't afford to buy brand new ones. I know those vehicles are not popular in the UK and rest of Europe, but there are some. Unfortunately to get them from the USA would take many weeks while we need them now. They are very helpful for small mobile groups of Ukrainian defenders."

If you have contacts in the UK who may be able to help, please email Alex at aldunai@gmail.com.

New Datasets

Names and towns from these datasets are included in the [Excel version](#) of the Indexed Concordance of Personal Names and Town Names.

Polish Declarations of Admiration and Friendship for the United States, 1926

Held by the U.S. Library of Congress, this collection includes signatures and greetings presented in 1926 to U.S. President Calvin Coolidge to commemorate the 150th anniversary of U.S. independence and acknowledge American aid to Poland during World War I. Some pages contain the signatures of students and faculty from secondary schools, **including 5 in the Kremenets District**. Others contain signatures of students in elementary schools, including those in the Kremenets-District towns of **Belozirka, Berezhtsy, Bodaki village, Buglov, Bykovtse, Dederkaly, Katerburg, Kinakhivtsi, Kremenets, Krutnev, Lanovtsy, Losyatyn, Lozy, Malyye Kuskovtsy, Malyye Zagaytsy, Maniov, Mlinovtsy, Moskalevka, Pochayev, Reshnevka village, Sadki village, Shily, Staryy Vishnevets, Vereshchaky, Vishnevets, and Vyshgorodok**.

- For an Excel file listing 782 Kremenets-district Jewish names, as well as links to the original images, see <https://www.kehialinks.jewishgen.org/Kremenets/web-pages/documents/1926-Polish-Declarations-of-Friendship.xlsx>.
- For a full description of the collection, see <https://www.loc.gov/collections/polish-declarations/about-this-collection/>.
- For an elementary school town index, see <https://www.loc.gov/rr/european/egwinv/egwa-bn.html>.

Shapoval School Donors, Kremenets, 1882

This community ledger records 51 people who made donations of candles and other items to benefit the prayer society of the Shapoval school in Kremenets. (According to the yizkor book *Pinkas Kremenets*, the Shapoval *kloyz* [a small prayer group] was one of the synagogues in Kremenets.) Many thanks to community member Tanya Labizon for translating this ledger from Russian. An unproofed listing of the names and donations is available on the [KDRG Contributor Site](#), available to those who have donated cash or services in the past two years.

Prayer Society Members, Belozirka, 1895

This notebook includes the names of 72 synagogue members in Belozirka. Many thanks to community member Tanya Labizon for translating this dataset from Russian. An unproofed listing of the names is available on the [KDRG Contributor Site](#), available to those who have donated cash or services in the past two years.

U.S. Landsmanshaft Cemeteries

We have added names and towns from the following landsmanshaft cemeteries to the Concordance:

- Wishnewitz Brothers Benevolent Society, Mount Hebron Cemetery, Flushing, NY, 758 entries
- Wishnewitz Brothers Benevolent Society, Mount Zion Cemetery, Maspeth, NY, 111 entries
- Kremenitzer Congregation Beth David Anshe Polin, Mount Zion Cemetery, Maspeth, NY, 127 entries

Thanks to Don Tannenbaum for compiling this information.

Reminder: Submit Your Family Photos to Kremenets Ancestor Face Match

At the KDRG winter meeting in February, Michael Snyder introduced a website (bit.ly/kdrgfaced) where he has collected about 800 publicly available photos of people from towns in the Kremenets district. Users can upload a face image and

see if it matches any of the photos in the collection. **Michael is asking the community to submit additional photos of people from Kremenets-district towns.** For instructions, see bit.ly/kdrgfaces, and email Michael (kdrgfaces@gmail.com) with questions. The photos in the collection are now searchable in the Concordance.

Best wishes for a happy Passover,

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