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Recently, the Commonwealth of Virginia allocated a \$125,000 matching grant to the Cold War Museum. We need your financial help now in order to receive the full grant award. If you know of friends or family that would like to assist, please let them know that the Museum needs their support. Donations to The Cold War Museum can be made through a secure online website at www.guidestar.org/partners/networkforgood/donate.jsp?ein=54-1819817 or www.justgive.org/giving/donate.jsp?charityId=18894. Federal and Military personnel can donate to us through our Combined Federal Campaign number 7475.

Next Spy Tour scheduled for Saturday Nov 26. Private tours dates limited. Visit www.spytour.com for details.

Have you had trouble or are you confused about how to order your Cold War Recognition Certificate? During the past year, several unhappy veterans have called the Cold War Museum asking for assistance and sometimes confusing the Museum with the government entity that is processing orders. To help lessen the confusion, there is information on how to order your Cold War Recognition Certificate in this issue of the Cold War Times.

I am working with Artemel and Associates to submit our 2nd phase proposal to Fairfax County for use of the Lorton Nike Site before the end of 2005. The Fairfax County Park Authority will soon survey at least one of the Nike magazines to see about its condition, strength, and structural integrity. The Museum will acquire temporary office space at Nike Control Site later this year.

As a result of two trips to Germany this year, the Cold War Museum is pleased to announce the opening of their Berlin Chapter directed by Ms. Baerbel Simon. Together, we have established relationships with a variety of German Cold War museums, memorials, and institutions including the world-renowned Check Point Charlie Museum. Baerbel will work with these institutes to establish formal partnerships to honor Cold War veterans and preserve Cold War history on an international scale. Read more about these efforts in the Berlin Chapter update within this issue of the Cold War Times.

During April 2006, tentative plans are underway to travel with an AAA Tour Group to Helsinki, St. Petersburg, and Moscow. Mysterious, rich in culture, and overflowing with exotic sights, sounds and people, Russia offers an unforgettable travel adventure at an exceptional value. Several people have expressed interest in traveling with me on this trip, which is in the planning stages. I am looking to make some side visits in Moscow to The Central Armed Forces Museum, where the U-2 is displayed, the KGB Museum, and the Boarder Guard Museum. For those interested in going, send me an email and I can let you know some of the Cold War side excursions in the planning stages. For those interested, read about it in this issue of the Cold War Times.

There are plans underway for a 50th anniversary of the Hungarian Revolution conference in Fall 2006. I have commitments from Fairfax County EDA, the Cold War International History Project, The Hungarian Technology Council, and Fairfax County Public Schools to co-host this event. Sergei Khrushchev and several other prominent scholars have been invited to attend. If you would like to volunteer, assist with the planning, or attend this conference, please send an email to Patti Winch (Patricia.Winch@fcps.edu), our Hungarian Conference Coordinator.

In October, I attended, "From Detente to the Soviet Collapse: The Cold War, 1975-1991," the fifth in a series of Cold War conferences conducted in collaboration with the Virginia Military Institute and sponsored by the McCormick Tribune Foundation at the First Division Museum, on the historic estate of the late Robert R. McCormick, in Wheaton, Illinois. I would like to thank the organizations for their support and inviting the Cold War Museum to set up a small display at the conference and participate in the program. Complimentary copies of a new book from last year's conference, "THE MOST DANGEROUS YEARS: THE COLD WAR, 1953-1975," edited by Malcolm Muir, Jr. and Mark F. Wilkinson is now available. Learn how to order this free book in the November issue of The Cold War Times.

I am pleased to report that as of October 1, 2005, after nine years of sweat equity, I accepted a position as The Cold War Museum's first paid Director. My immediate concerns are to finalize the lease with Fairfax County for use of the Lorton Nike site, hire a grant writer, partner with area companies to find in-kind storage, transportation, and museum services, develop the Cold War Times, expand the online gift store, create revenue streams, and continue to work towards the creation of the National Cold War Memorial.

If you can volunteer, write a written history, record an oral history, take a Spy Tour, arrange a lecture, send an artifact, or make a financial donation, now is the time that we need your support the most.

Please consider making a year-end donation to the Cold War Museum. Your gift will help us plan for the new year and the new physical location. Tax-deductible contributions and artifact donations to the Museum will ensure that future generations will remember Cold War events and personalities that forever altered our understanding of national security, international relations, and personal sacrifice for one's country. Please help

spread the word about the Museum. Together we can make this vision a reality. If you should have any questions, want additional information, or would like to subscribe to our Cold War Times email newsletter distribution list, send an email to editor@coldwar.org

Thank you for your continued support.

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