



WHAT'S ON

Tsarskoye Selo Celebrates its 300th Anniversary



Celebrations of the 300th anniversary since the foundation of Tsarskoye Selo have begun in this famous suburb of Saint Petersburg. The foundation of Tsarskoye Selo is June 1710, when Peter the First assigned Sarsky Grange to his future wife and Empress Ekaterina Alekseyevna. Tsarskoye Selo is a state memorial estate visited by thousand tourists every day.

NEWS

Underwater Robotics Cup

Russian students from Vladivostok went to Hawaii to take part in World Championship in remotely controlled unmanned submersibles. The team consists of students from Far East State University. The team, supervised by scientists, started building a radio-controlled underwater robot, able to reach significant depths. The World Championship welcomes 25 teams. Contest tasks describe real-life situations: robots for helping sinking submarines, or for repairing underwater research vehicles.



RIA Novosti

New Programme of Student Loans Starts

New programme of student loans is developed by Sberbank and Higher School of Economics providing annual percentage rate of 5%. Existing student loans cannot boast low interest rates. Students pay between 12% and 25% per year for their education. New loan programme will attract new students. New loans do not have loan security, additional commissions or payments, and principal debt can be paid three months after a student gets his or her diploma. The experiment provides approval of not more than 10,000 student loans per year and includes about 90 higher educational institutions.

Science News

Moscow – Nizhny Novgorod

The schedule for the Sapsan high-speed trains which will run St. Petersburg - Moscow - Nizhny Novgorod from July, 30, 2010 has been published:

- Daily train N 161/162 departure from St. Petersburg 15.00 – Moscow Kursky Railway Terminal (19.20-19.30) – arrival to Nizhny Novgorod 23.25.

- Daily train N 163/164 departure from Nizhny Novgorod 15.05 – Moscow Kursky Railway Terminal (19.00-19.15) – arrival to St. Petersburg 23.24.

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Tigers Will Return to the Wild

Three baby tigers, which were saved in the Ussurian taiga this winter, will return to their home wilderness. The Amur tiger cubs will learn to hunt and to survive in natural environment. After a "training course", which will last several months, the tigers will be released. One tiger has already returned to the wilderness.

Science News

France in Russia and Russia in France

French Language Department in Kazan made an award to students and teachers – participants of various contests, festivals, and

conferences held within the framework of the Year of France in Russia and Russia in France. It has been a special year. Trips to France were awarded to teachers and students.

Kazan University news

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