

Remembering the past; looking to the future

MPO President Steve Petroff

I finally had the opportunity to come to the United States and visit the MPO office in Fort Wayne. It was a very busy weekend, but a wonderful time. Friday morning, I met with Chris Isakov who is on our Building Committee. We walked around the building and met with the tenants. That afternoon I went to the Hilton and met with their representatives. We went over the plans and looked at the space for the 100th Convention coming up in 2022. In the evening a group of us attended dinner at the

Hilton Hotel. We had a great time catching up with old friends and new as well. On Saturday the day started with the Day of Discovery. The program was so well planned and organized and went very well. We also had three candidates that received scholarships at the event.

The 50th Macedonian Ball was Saturday night, and a group from the MPO was able to attend as I sponsored a table of 10. What a great time we had dancing and meeting with lots of friends. The Macedonian Ball was

done very well done. Sunday, I had the pleasure to visit with George Lebamoff and present to him a Lifetime Achievement Award. It was a nice visit with George, his wife Rosie and his son Andy.

Remember the Early Bird Contest for membership is still going on, so now is the time to renew your membership with your chapter, on our website, or by phoning the office. Renewal information for the Tribune is printed on page 5. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!