

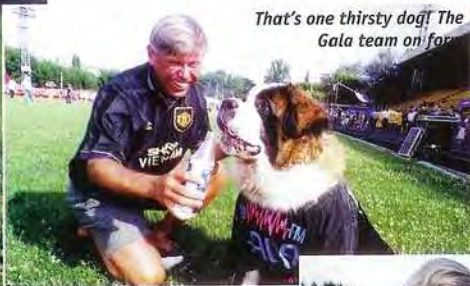
# The American Way

While the rest of Kyiv seemed to be sheltering from thunderstorms on Saturday 7 July, the sun shone brightly on those gathered at Spartak Stadium for the 10th Annual American Chamber of Commerce American Independence Picnic. Besides the great food and drink, provided by Arizona Catering, Pepsi, Coca-Cola, Lakomka and Taller, people of all ages enjoyed the live music, impromptu frisbee games, a kids raffle where every child won a prize, clowns and hot-air balloon rides, or they just sat back and relaxed. If that wasn't enough, Elvis was in the house!! For a small fee (all proceeds going to charity) you could have your photo taken with the King of Rock and Roll! The afternoon was blazing hot, but as the temperature dropped to something a little more pleasant, groups of people gathered in front of the stage and the long-awaited Grand Raffle began. Prizes from airline tickets to cosmetics baskets were won, and close to twenty thousand dollars had been raised for charity. It almost seemed a shame to end the party, but as Cheryl Hughes sang the last line of the 'Star Spangled Banner',

the sky lit up with a magnificent fireworks display, sponsored by Golden Telecom, which signalled the end of a fun family day in a good cause!  
Joy Keel



The host with the most - ACC's Jorge Zukoski



That's one thirsty dog! The Gala team on for



Ambassador Pascual, Elvis and Marta Pereyma



Dig down to the bottom of the pile - mine's a winner



In patriotic mode



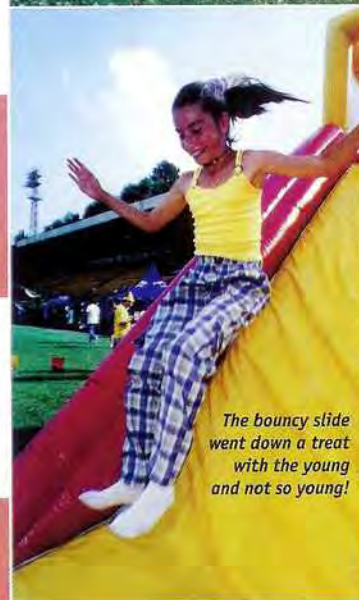
Enjoyment under duress??



Taking full advantage of the sunny weather



And the lucky winner's off on holiday!



The bouncy slide went down a treat with the young and not so young!



Entertaining the crowd with great live music



No picnic is complete without a ball game...

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## The American Chamber of Commerce's 10th Annual American Independence Day Charity Picnic in Kyiv, Ukraine



ACT Group, Alzheimer & Gray, ArtEast, Austrian Airlines, Avon, Brand of the Year, Ernst & Young, Hotel Ukraina, Kraft Foods Ukraine, Lucent Technologies, Mary Kay, Motorola, Orfey Book Store, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Procter & Gamble, SC Johnson, Sailing Academy, Ukrainian Land and Resource Management Center, Ukrainian Mobile Communications, White's / Shandwick International, Wintex International

**Special thanks** to the volunteers especially Courtney Brooks, Emily Creighton, Steve Leeds, John Poepsel and Regina Reza - Volunteer Coordinators; David Diamonon - Master of Ceremonies; Nancy and John Brannaman - Kid's Raffle Coordinators. It couldn't have been done without them! Also, thanks to Elvis aka Lou Crishock and all the other wonderful people that contributed to making this such a successful event!  
**Very special thanks** to the AmCham staff: Oksana Panchuk, Lyudmilla Tamarovskaya, Nadezhda Polishchuk, Yuriy Kravchenko and Vladimir Poplavets whose hard work made for a great Picnic.