

# The Calendar of Shchuchin Cultural Events for 2017

JANUARY



**January 7.** The rite "Kalyadki", a traditional Belarusian festival, filled with ritual symbols, actions, songs is held. Goat Dances, "kalyadavanne" and many other things are performed during this rite. (Shchuchin, Shchuchin district) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033



**January 8.** Christmas meetings "Christ is born! Give thanks!". On the basis of Shchuchin regional center of culture and folk art Christmas meetings in collaboration with the Orthodox Church are held. This event is dedicated to the great Orthodox holiday - "Christmas". (Shchuchin) Tel. 8 (01514) 26061



**January 13.** A competition program "Hey, Snow Maiden!". It offers a competitive program for "Snow Maidens" (Snow Maiden - the youth organizations of the district), interesting findings, fun games and quizzes. (Shchuchin, Cultural Center) Tel. 8 (01514) 2 92 40



**January-February.** The gathering of best workers and those who is the best in their profession in social and cultural sphere. Economic and competitions of the best in the profession completed gathering of the foremost - a large-scale ceremonies. Summarizing a labor competition has

become a tradition. After all, no matter how complicated the past year was, it's nice to bring its results on an optimistic note - the presentation of awards to the best employees and enterprises of the town, who have earned their diligent work and great achievements in various fields. (Shchuchin)  
Тел. 8(01514)29240

## FEBRUARY



**February 23. Events dedicated to the Day of Defender of the Fatherland.** Traditional events dedicated to the veterans of military service, meetings and gala concerts are held on this day. (Schuchin, Shchuchin district)  
Tel. 8 (01514) 28033

**February 26. A district folk holiday "Maslenitsa".** The program of the festival includes theatrical performances, a concert of amateur art groups, the work of "the city of artists." For residents and guests of the town different games, trips, sports grounds and "Batleyka" performances are organized. Everyone can take part in a spectacular attraction "Ice Post" and burn effigies. Traditionally people are queuing in the tent where they can taste familiar winter dishes: kebabs, sausages, pies and pancakes of course - a symbol of the holiday. (Shchuchin) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033

## MARCH



**March 5-8. Events to celebrate the International Women's Day of March 8.** The contemporary celebration of Women's Day is considered to be the day of spring, female beauty, tenderness, wisdom and mental attention to a woman, regardless of her status and age. (Shchuchin, Shchuchin district) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033

## APRIL



**April 2. A holiday program dedicated to the Day of Belarus and Russia Unity.** Gala concert of amateur art collectives from Shchuchin reflecting the theme of friendship and cooperation between the allied nations gathers lots of people. (Shchuchin, Cultural Center) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033



**April 16. The Rite "Valachobniki".** This rite means visiting people's homes on Easter Sunday followed by performing special "volochobny" songs, poems and greetings. This ceremony was timed to coincide with the feast of the Resurrection of Christ. In the past, we believed that it contributes to crop, family well-being and protects against various adversities. (Shchuchin, Shchuchin district) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033



**April 22-26. Events to celebrate the Chernobyl tragedy.** On April 26, 1986 the accident which became the largest catastrophe in the history of nuclear power took place at Chernobyl nuclear power plant. These events are a tribute to the people who died in this terrible tragedy. (Shchuchin. Shchuchin district) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033

## MAY



**May 1. The holiday "May tunes" timed to celebrate reopening of the town fountain.** The fountain with its decorative objects of urban landscape associates among the locals with the arrival of sunny days. And in summer it is not only the decoration of the town but also is a source of coolness. For the citizens the fountain is one of their favorite places to meet. May opening of the fountain season traditionally is celebrated with a bright festive concert program. (Shchuchin) Tel. 8 (01514) 29240



**May 9. Events dedicated to the Victory Day.** A gala concert and mass rally dedicated to the Victory in the Great Patriotic War is arranged in the town. (Shchuchin) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033



**May 14.** A meeting to celebrate the Day of the State Emblem and the State Flag of the Republic of Belarus. Every year the second Sunday of May is celebrated as a national holiday - "Day of the State Emblem and the State Flag of the Republic of Belarus". The attributes of any sovereign state are the state flag, emblem and anthem. (Shchuchin) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033



**21 May.** Events dedicated to the World Day of memory of AIDS victims. The purpose of the World Day of Remembrance for AIDS victims is to raise global awareness about HIV / AIDS and demonstrate solidarity in the face of the pandemic. This day provides the most realistic opportunity to disseminate information about the status of the pandemic and encourage progress in the prevention and treatment of HIV / AIDS. (Shchuchin, Shchuchin district) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033

## JUNE



**June 1** Events dedicated to International Children's Day. If today the nature has given a warm sunny day, it becomes doubly joyful because on the first day of summer in many countries International Children's Day is celebrated. It is celebrated on June 1, annually. (Shchuchin, Shchuchin district) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033



**June 22** The Day of Remembrance of the Great Patriotic War Victims. Theatrical rally memory, laying flowers at the Eternal Flame on behalf of the town government and other events are organized on this day. (Shchuchin, Shchuchin district) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033



**June 25 Youth Day.** The program of the festival includes concerts of the best youth creative collectives and performers in various genres as well as game programs, rewarding youth activists and a festive disco with the participation of well-known DJs. (Shchuchin) Tel. 8 (01514) 29240



**June 24 "Moto show"** On June 24 Rozhanka agrotown hosts "Moto show" where motorcycles fans gather together. Audience expect an exciting competition between the motorcyclists and cyclists, contests for the audience, a concert and many more. (Rozhanka agrotown) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033

## JULY



**July 1 Folklore festival "Pamizh nami, susedzyami"** The folk festival which will take place in Dembrovo agrotown will be attended by the inhabitants of neighboring villages. The festival will present a local monastery with traditional cuisine, the products of masters living in the region as well as visitors from other areas. A gala concert where every participant and a neighbor can demonstrate their creative abilities will be held. (Dembrovo agrotown) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033



**July 3 Events dedicated to the Independence Day of the Republic of Belarus.** A gala concert dedicated to the Independence Day of our country will be arranged. (Shchuchin, Shchuchin district) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033



**July 6 "Midsummer" National holiday.** Festivities on the lake, the ignition fire, tarot wreaths, performance of amateur art groups, round dances and driving games will be shown on this day. (Shchuchin, open area near the Cultural Center) Tel. 8 (01514) 2 88 82



**July 15 Feast of poetry "Become a song in the public ..."** On July 15 the residents and visitors of Ostrino gather for a holiday in honor of Belarusian poetess, writer, actress and teacher Aloiza Stepanovna Pashkevich (Tsyotka). The participants of the event can learn many interesting facts about the biography and creative activity of our famous compatriot. (Ostrino) Tel. 8 (01514) 30344



**July 23 Feast of creativity and creative leisure "... And the one who lives with a song on the steps, he never ever disappear! .."** In Rutkevichi a holiday of creative and creative leisure for cultural workers and audience will be held. The program of the festival includes the work of sports grounds, trips, contests and a concert. (Rutkevichi agrotown) Tel. 8 (01514) 72082



**July 30 "The Lord of the village"** July 30, the district stage of the republican contest "The Lord of the village" will be held in the town of urban type Ostrino. The participant in the competition will be a family from the area. They will compete in traditional contests: singing, dancing, talking about himself and amaze the jury with their culinary delights. (Ostrino) Tel. 8 (01514) 28033

## AUGUST



**August 9 " Mother of God of Rakovichi Holiday"** A religious procession to Rakovichi icon of the Blessed Virgin Mary gathers a large number of pilgrims. For all residents and visitors different events, exhibition and sale of souvenirs, a concert of amateur creativity will be organized. (Rakovichi agrotown) Tel. 8 (01514) 72848

**August 15 Feast "Novodvorsky fest"** After the festive act of worship in St George's church the workers of Cultural Center in Novy Dvor invite to visit the exhibition of flowers, herbs and agricultural products. The villagers are offered to watch a festive concert of amateur art groups. For younger participants of the festival children playgrounds operate. (Novy Dvor) Tel. 8 (01514) 45131



**August 13 "Festival of Flowers"**. The festival program includes competitions in bouquets, flower arrangements, costumes, hats made of flowers. In addition historical and romantic walks to the sights of the village are offered. One can visit such places as the Chetvertinskys family's palace and park complex, the Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a park of stone sculptures, a flower Manor,

**26-27 August Town Festival** The festival program includes: aviation and sports festival, the performance of Belarusian pop stars, concerts of amateur creativity of Grodno region. It is a holiday, where you can see performances of pilots and parachutists of the Air Forces and Air Defense Forces of the Republic of Belarus, armored vehicles and sports cars, performance of Special Police Forces,

Pinhus Kremen's Exhibition Hall. It is possible to visit workshops of folk crafts and a trade fair of craftsmen's products. Experts can give recommendations on how to grow flowers and advise things on landscape design. (Shchuchin district, Zheludok) Tel. 8 (01514) 2 88 82

competition in speed between the aircraft and a sports car, survey flights in a hot-air balloon, an extensive concert program. (Shchuchin and the territory of the former airdrome) Tel. 8 (01514) 2 88 82



**August 29 "The Holy Lyashchyny" Savior of the Nut Feast Day.** The workers of Leshchanka country club invited to tender for the collection of nuts and visit the exhibition and sale of folk masters' production. Workshops on wicker products manufacturing and plaiting are offered. Everyone will enjoy local traditional cuisine. (Leshchanka village) Tel. 8 (01514) 31801

## SEPTEMBER



**September 17 The Feast of Cheslav Nemen's Music.** The feast is a tribute to the great musician, composer and poet, who changed the music of the 20th century. He got ahead of his time by his musical vision and style. And up to this day he is an invariable standard of "innovator" and "experimenter" in music. (Belarus, Poland) (Shchuchin district, "Starye Vasilishki Museum Club" Starye Vasilishki village, Vasilishki agrotown) Tel. 8 (0152) 2 88 82

**September 24 "The feast of mushrooms"** Mushroom Festival is held in Pervomaysk agrotown. This is a good event for families. Here alfresco you can taste cooked goodies from fungi and become a spectator, or even a member of the entertainment program. Along the perimeter an unfold festive exhibition of arts and crafts will be held, where masters will present products made of mushrooms and different materials. (Pervomaysk agrotown) Tel. 8 (01514) 51906

**OCTOBER**



**October 1 Regional holiday "Shchuchyn kirmash".** The fair is organized in best traditions of Shchuchin land. (Shchuchin) Tel. 8 (01514) 2 88 82

**NOVEMBER**



**November 19** The solemn meeting devoted to the Day of workers of agriculture and processing industry of the agricultural and industrial complex. The holiday unites farmers, mechanics and all those who like to work in the field lending soul and the power into production of a crop, those who are not afraid of hard physical work. (Shchuchin, Cultural Center) Tel. 8 (01514) 29240

**November 24** District Festival of Panel Games. Each team prepares a presentation revealing the intellectual and creative potential of the team in a humorous manner. (Shchuchin, Cultural Center) Tel. 8 (01514) 29240

## DECEMBER



**December 26** "Fireworks of talents." The traditional event aimed at supporting talented youth on Shchuchin land. The event is really a powerful incentive for the development of creative potential. The winners of regional, national and international festivals and competitions will be rewarded in a solemn atmosphere. (Shchuchin) Tel. 8 (01514) 2 88 82

**December 25-31** Christmas and New Year events. New Year events will give positive emotions, festive mood, jokes, dances and a traditional New Year disco. (Shchuchin, Shchuchin district) Tel. 8 (01514) 2 80 33