

Festivities Celebrate LaRouche's 75th Birthday

"This *Festschrift* radiates the love that the contributors have for you, and for all that you have done for them, and for the world," said Schiller Institute vice-president Marianna Wertz, in presenting a *Festschrift* of writings to Lyndon LaRouche during a celebration held at a Washington hotel on Sept. 8, his 75th birthday.

The *Festschrift*, a 250-page volume of celebratory writings from people around the world, including Mother Teresa, whose prayer for him was given shortly before her death, was presented at the conclusion of a three-hour-long tribute.

The festivities were opened by Helga Zepp LaRouche, who described her husband as the "most beautiful soul and the most outstanding individual of our time." The opening toast was given by the internationally renowned baritone William Warfield, who then led the gathering of about



Lyndon and Helga LaRouche congratulate violinist Ana Rosario Quijano.

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150 friends, associates, and collaborators of LaRouche in singing "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Josef Mikloško, the former vice premier of post-communist Czechoslovakia, served as master of ceremonies,

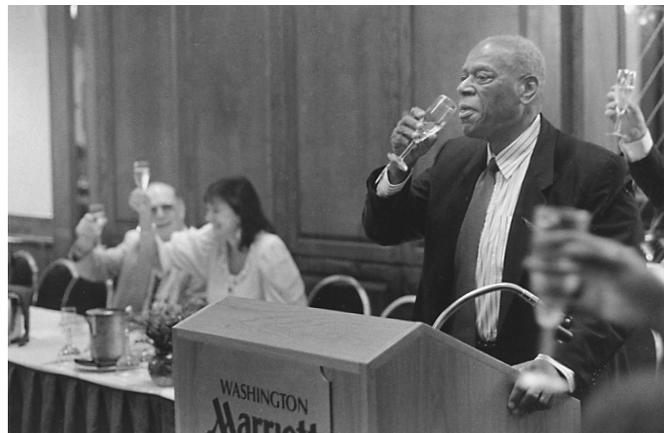
interspersing his own recollections of, and tributes to, LaRouche, between *laudatios* and musical and poetic offerings. Mikloško at one point recalled his visit to LaRouche in prison, saying that five years in jail was a long time. "It was necessary to suffer, but we are now stronger. . . . You drank

of your cup, your Gethsemane." Musical gifts were presented by soprano Detra Battle, bass Aaron Gooding, soprano Kathy Wolfe, violinist Ana Rosario Quijano (aged 8), baritone Daniel Mikloško, pianist Raymond



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Above: Presentation of the *Festschrift*. Right: William Warfield leads the toast.



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Russian Economics Weekly Marks LaRouche Birthday

The prominent Russian weekly *Ekonomicheskaya Gazeta* honored Lyndon LaRouche's 75th birthday with a front-page article in its Sept. 14-21 issue, under the headline "The New World Order of Lyndon LaRouche, Founder of Physical Economy."

The author of the article was Prof. Taras Muranivsky, Ph.D., who is president of the Schiller Institute for Science and Culture (Moscow).

Muranivsky introduced LaRouche as "a true friend of Russia," and wrote that he is known around the world "as an uncompromising fighter against injustice and evil, speculation, usury, drug-trafficking, terrorism, looting through privatization, and other means of destruction of society's productive forces by a little handful of sharks of the world financial oligarchy."

In an editorial note, the *Ekonomicheskaya Gazeta* editorial board joined in congratulating LaRouche on the occasion of his 75th birthday. *Ekonomicheskaya Gazeta* was founded in 1993 as an independent paper (not a continuation of the Soviet-era weekly of the same name), which indicates on its masthead its collaboration with specialists at Russian state economic agencies.