## **New Year's Letter**

## **Dear Sharon and Jerry!**

I have read your New Year's Letter and I am both envious and proud of you! You have had so many extreme adventures and will have more Russia!

My self, my family, and my friendly Russian and English speaking community, who are not only in Goryachiy Kluch but all over Russia including Western Siberia, are happy to support you, providing help and sincere friendship! We are sure that you will contribute a lot to our community. We were so happy to have you here, and pleased to become aware of your talents and your amazing human qualities.

Jerry and Sharon, we hope that your friends and customers from different countries will be as brave as you and come to visit Russia. Our country and people are not as we are presented by foreign Mass Media.

Goryachiy Kluch, which translates to "Hot Spring", is a unique resort area which has healing mineral waters of four types, therapeutic mud, mineral hot springs, and clean fresh air. Situated in the forested mountains and being only fifty kilometers, or thirty one miles, from the Black Sea coast makes the town climate special and very good for health.

The local residents honor and cherish the Cossack traditions of their ancestors to honor and protect family and community. Having a rich history of farming, they are fond of treating you with their tasty national dishes made from natural products. The town of Goryachiy Kluch is in a very safe location. The crime rate here is the lowest in Russia and the residents are very friendly and helpful.

To our dear friends in different countries, the town Goryachiy Kluch is the best place in Russia and in the world! Below are links to videos in Russian about Goryachiy Kluch and the Ataman Cossack Village. YouTube offers auto-translate to English, but it is not very accurate. For example: "hot spring" will translate to "hot key".

Watch them, come and have a tremendous experience!

Goryachiy Kluch: https://youtu.be/qcuoD17NuyA

Ataman Cossack Village: https://youtu.be/tyqdM-kzPy8

Watch, enjoy, and welcome to Russia!

With respect and best wishes, Nadia (Nadezda) Stepanova

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