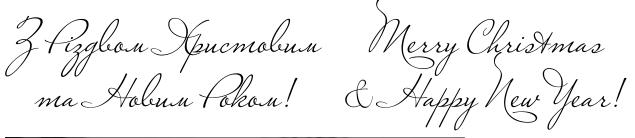
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The mission of UCC Saskatchewan is to:

- represent and serve the Saskatchewan Ukrainian community
- adhere to democratic principles and provide strong leadership
- promote sustainable organizational development
 communicate effectively with membership and stakeholders
- contribute to the enhancement of cultural diversity in Saskatchewan
- maximize the capacity of the Ukrainian community to maintain, develop and share its identity, culture and aspirations
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President's Message

December is upon us, symbolizing the end of another year – a time of reflection for 2015 and a renewed energy for 2016 in anticipation of a year filled with

optimism, hope and celebration.

125 years ago, Ukrainian immigrants arrived in Canada with a dream of freedom and a better life. Since this first arrival, four more waves of newcomers have arrived wanting to establish a sustainable life for their families.

Over the past century, as Ukrainian Canadians we see the impact Ukrainians have had in every sector of Canadian life and are privy to the benefits of their perseverance and determination.

Today, it is difficult for us to envision the hard times faced by these early settlers to Canada. Upon their arrival in Western Canada it took many years of hard work before they would be physically "comfortable" in their new country. With few belongings, they had virtually no comforts except their family and perhaps the championship of their neighbours. But they had their strong spiritual faith and their dreams to give them the strength to carry on.

UCC National has established a 125th Anniversary committee that is networking throughout the country and supporting the different projects which are being planned.

Provincially, UCC Saskatchewan has taken on the role to bring communities together and help promote their activities. A workshop has been designed to help communities to not only identify and plan events celebrating the 125th Anniversary but to also enhance and champion existing ones. It is our hope that these events "connect us with our past, embrace our present and build towards our future." UCC Saskatchewan is representative of Ukrainian organizations in our province and would be interested in learning of events that will be happening and honour anniversaries of member organizations in 2016.

The celebratory nature of 2016 is also a time for us to remember our Ukrainian counterparts who continue the fight in Ukraine to maintain the freedom they have fought so hard to achieve. UCC National continues with support from its provincial bodies to focus on events in Ukraine providing not only humanitarian assistance but also advocating and providing accurate information to Canadians.

UCC Saskatchewan continues its planning of the UCC National Triennial Congress, which will be held in our province and hosted in Regina on September 29 – October 2, 2016. The theme "Engage – Inspire – Empower" gives all our member stakeholders a wonderful opportunity to be part of moving forward in an organization that looks to continued and future successes as their mandate! The Congress will culminate with a Gala Showcase, which will be held celebrating the 125 years of Ukrainian immigration to Canada. Save the date and share with your members!

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the UCC Saskatchewan staff, volunteers, my husband Bernie and our family, a Christmas wish is extended to all! May the true meaning of the Spirit of Christmas, its Joy and its Peace live amongst all of us and into 2016!



UWC: Help Document Incidents of Russian Disinformation

The Ukrainian World Congress (UWC) is calling upon Ukrainian communities to join the international effort to combat Russian disinformation by helping to document such incidents.

East StratCom Team of the European External Action Service, the European Union's diplomatic service, was tasked with analyzing Russian disinformation, revealing its fundamental aims and tendencies, reacting and effectively preventing further similar steps by the Russian Federation.

Recently, East StratCom created a network for de-bunking myths of the Russian Federation which includes representatives of mass media, think tanks, individual experts, officials and non-governmental organizations that are to be the source of facts on Russian disinformation.

The UWC requests that individuals and organizations send any discovered incidents of Russian disinformation with a link to the relevant source

to the UWC Liaison Officer to the EU Maryna Iaroshevych (m.iaroshevych@ukrainianworldcongress.org) who will, in turn, submit such materials to East StratCom for analysis.

"We call upon Ukrainian communities to join the effort by East StratCom to compile examples of disinformation that attempt to justify Russian aggression in Ukraine and threaten democratic principles and European values," commented UWC President Eugene Czolij.

The UWC is the international coordinating body for Ukrainian communities in the diaspora representing the interests of over 20 million Ukrainians. The UWC has member organizations in 34 countries and ties with Ukrainians in 14 additional countries. Founded in 1967, the UWC was recognized in 2003 by the United Nations Economic and Social Council as a non-governmental organization (NGO) with special consultative status.



Volunteerism in Canada: the Latest Trends

Yuriy Kirushok, Community Outreach Officer

This article, the first in a series of articles on volunteerism, highlights general trends in the volunteer sector. Watch for the second article addressing the question of volunteer recruitment in the next issue of Visnyk.

Volunteering is hugely important to non-profit and charitable organizations in Canada, 12.7 million volunteers contribute close to 2 billion hours a year, equivalent to about 1 million full-time, year-round jobs. Ukrainian organizations in Saskatchewan are no exception in relying heavily in their activities on volunteers. Based on the responses of 90 out of 166 UCC Saskatchewan member organizations, over 9,000 people contribute approximately 55,500 volunteer hours. Without dedicated volunteers, these organizations simply would not be able to function. Therefore, the question of how to recruit and retain volunteers remains topical.

"We do not have youth in our organization." "Young people are not willing or interested to commit to volunteer for a Ukrainian organization." These are the concerns often raised by Ukrainian Canadian community activists. One may think that this is an issue specific to Ukrainian organizations. In fact, the low youth volunteer rate is a general trend in the Canadian volunteer sector. Thus, to understand better the nature of the processes that are happening within our Ukrainian organizations, it would be useful to take a look at the overall picture. This article is,

therefore, intended to outline the latest trends in Canadian volunteering, drawing on the survey results conducted by Statistics Canada.

A non-governmental organization, or NGO, usually has a core group of dedicated volunteers that does the majority of work. 50 per cent of hours are contributed by 10 per cent of volunteers. These individuals have a schedule of volunteering and donate their time either weekly or monthly. There is also a substantial portion of occasional volunteers (37 per cent) that participates in volunteer activities 1-2 or 3-4 times a year. Not surprisingly, the survey also shows that the greatest number of hours is contributed by volunteers in the age groups 55 to 64, 65 to 74, and 75 and older. Similarly, 51 per cent of volunteers in Saskatchewan Ukrainian organizations are 55 and older. The low volunteering rate among middle age people and youth raises a red flag for NGOs, which have to consider how to deal with the tendency of younger individuals to contribute fewer hours.

Volunteers are more willing to help organize events (46 per cent of volunteers) and participate in fundraising (45 per cent of volunteers) than sit on a committee or board.

Board/committee involvement is steadily declining because of the time commitment and the responsibilities such bodies require. One of the reasons some organizations struggle to get sufficient number of volunteers is a competition between different volunteer sectors for the same prospective volunteers. Social services, and sports and recreation receive the largest percentage of volunteer hours (20 per cent and 18 per cent of the total hours respectively), while the arts and culture sector gets only 6 per cent of volunteer hours.

People donate their time because they want to make a contribution to community (93 per cent), use skills and experience (77 per cent), improve sense of well-being (52 per cent) or because they are personally affected by the cause (60 per cent). Volunteering is not only about sharing one's knowledge and experience, individuals also gain experience and develop new skills from volunteering. For instance, 6 in 10 respondents said they improved their interpersonal skills.

When it comes to the ways individuals become volunteers, people either seek out volunteer opportunities themselves (48 per cent) or they start volunteer-

ing because someone personally asked them (47 per cent). Word of mouth remains one of the most popular ways to engage volunteers.

To sum up, the Statistics Canada survey demonstrates that generally Canadians are willing to volunteer, because they want to contribute to their communities and improve well-being. Furthermore, Canada has quite a high formal volunteer rate, and, just as important, 8 in 10 Canadians volunteer informally helping others directly. Consequently, although volunteers are less likely to commit long hours, the survey affirms the potential for a shortfall in contributed volunteer hours to be compensated for by engaging additional volunteers. The task for NGOs is to analyze the latest trends in volunteering and develop ideas what incentives may be offered to volunteers so that they will be interested in helping these organizations. **B**

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Celebrating Achievement at the 2015 Nation Builders & Community Recognition Awards Luncheon

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The Ukrainian Canadian Congress Saskatchewan hosted its 21st annual Nation Builders & Community Recognition Awards luncheon and awards presentation at the Delta Bessborough Hotel in Saskatoon on November 8, 2015. A sold-out audience of friends, family and guests gathered to celebrate the outstanding achievements and meritorious contributions of some of this province's notable citizens.

Three individuals were recognized as Nation Builders this year: Diane Boyko (Alvena-Saskatoon), Stephen Senyk (Melville-Regina), and Ostap Skryp-

nyk (Regina-Winnipeg). The Nation Builders Award is bestowed to persons who have made meritorious contributions, which have had a significant impact; left a legacy; and/or provided an exemplary role model to the Ukrainian community and/or Saskatchewan-Canada.

Community Recognition Awards were presented to seven individuals: Helen Danylchuk (Teulon, MB-Canora), posthumously, for Cultural Preservation & Development; Elmer Malec (Tarnopol,



2015 honourees. Standing: Rose Wasylenka, Ken Mazur, Russel Pankiw, Larissa Van Caeseele (for mother †Helen Danylchuk). Seated: Brighton Stefanyshyn, David Dutchak, Ostap Skrypnyk, Diane Boyko, Stephen Senyk, Marnie Howlett, Elmer Malec.

SK-Prince Albert) for Cultural Preservation & Development and Leadership; Kenneth Mazur (Canora-Regina) for Cultural Preservation & Development and Volunteerism; Russel Pankiw (Goodeve-Regina) for Volunteerism; Rose Wasylenka (Rosthern-Saskatoon) for Leadership and Volunteerism; and, Marnie Howlett (Saskatoon) and Brighton Stefanyshyn (Prince Albert) for Youth Achievement. The Community Recognitions Award is presented to persons who have

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made meritorious contributions in one or more of the areas of youth achievement; leadership; volunteerism; cultural preservation & development, and/or creativity & innovation to the Ukrainian community and/or Saskatchewan-Canada.

In addition, David Dutchak (Blaine Lake-Saskatoon) was specially recognized as the 2015 Newsmaker of the Year for his demonstrated leadership in facilitating the "Ambulances for Ukraine" humanitarian project, which saw the delivery of four fully equipped ambulances to Ukrainian hospitals treating those wounded in the armed conflict in eastern Ukraine.



Her Honour the Honourable Vaughn Solomon Schofield, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan; Newsmaker of the Year Award recipient David Dutchak; UCC Saskatchewan President Mary Ann Trischuk.

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Dignitaries in attendance included Her Honour the Honourable Vaughn Solomon Schofield, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan; Ken Krawetz, Government of Saskatchewan; His Worship Don Atchison, Mayor of Saskatoon; Emil Yereniuk, UCC National Vice-President; Shakeel Akhtar, SaskCulture; Honourable Senator Raynell Andreychuk; Very Rev. Janko Kolosnjaji (Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of St. George, Saskatoon); and Very Reverend Archpriest Peter Wasylenko (All Saints Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Saskatoon).

The Nation Builders & Community Recognition Awards serve as UCC Saskatchewan's official recognitions program. Since its establishment in 1995, 225 distinguished individuals have been recognized.

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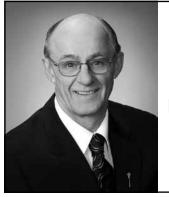
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In Memory of Departed Nation Builder Morris Korpan (1927-2014)



Morris Orest Korpan passed away in Saskatoon on September 19, 2014 at the age of 87. Proud of his Ukrainian heritage, he was a leader and active volunteer in Ukrainian parishes and organizations, wherever his career in the federal government took him and his family. He was also involved in the Canadian Ethnocultural Council and Council of Aging, and as fundraiser for the Endowment Fund at Lester Pearson College. In Saskatoon, Morris was instrumental

in establishing Ss Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Parish and in fundraising for construction of the Musée Ukraina Museum. He assisted seniors with tax returns and applications for federal supplements and health drug plan. Morris was named a UCC Saskatchewan Nation Builder in 2004. His biography, as published in the commemorative booklet, is available at ucc.sk.ca/services/nation-builders.

May His Memory Be Eternal! Вічна йому пам'ять!

Easter Greetings in Visnyk

Visnyk is accepting Easter greeting advertisements for the spring issue. Saskatchewan's voice of the Ukrainian community is mailed out to over 5,600 addresses across Saskatchewan, thereby offering you, your organization or business an effective and economical way to extend best wishes for the season to thousands of members of Saskatchewan's Ukrainian community.

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Sincere thanks go out to Diane Bazowski, the outgoing president, for her dedication and many volunteer hours. UCC Saskatchewan also welcomes the new president, Jan Olesko, to the UCC Saskatchewan Board of Directors.

■ Regina

The Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Regina Branch held its Annual General Meeting and Board elections on November 19, 2015 and is pleased to announce the new executive for 2015-17:

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Ваше перше враження під час співбесіди визначає ваша посмішка, рукостискання, одяг, дотримання особистого простору людини, аромат. Не варто користуватися різкими парфумами чи одеколонами. Багато робочих місць не дозволяють вживати парфуми, оскільки інші люди можуть мати алергію до запаху. Як правило, щоденний душ ϵ достатнім для утримування запаху чистого тіла.

Вітаючи представника компанії, не подавайте руки першим. Не поспішайте сідати, почекайте коли вам запропонують це зробити.

дивіться в очі

При розмові вважається чемним дивитися в очі людині, з якою ви говорите. Якщо у вас є труднощі з цим – дивіться співрозмовнику на чоло, люди не зможуть відрізнити.

ВІДПОВІДІ НА ПИТАННЯ

Не уникайте відповідей на питання. Відповідайте конкретно і розумно стисло. Зазвичай вам буде надана нагода задати питання або надати додаткову інформацію, яку ви вважаєте актуальною.

ВАШІ СИЛЬНІ СТОРОНИ

Співбесіда – це ваша можливість «продавати» себе. Підкреслюйте в першу чергу якості, корисні для даної роботи. Доведіть на-





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НЕ ВИГАДУЙТЕ

Звичайно, дуже важливо скласти резюме таким чином, щоб створити про себе гарне враження, але використання неправдивої інформації про свій досвід роботи та навички може призвести до трактування вас як ненадійного працівника або до вашого звільнення. Це не поліпшить вашу оцінку, навіть якщо ви виглядаєте чудовим працівником на папері.

ЗАРОБІТНА ПЛАТНЯ

Що стосується зарплати, ви можете назвати суму або верхню й нижню межу очікуваної суми, але не раніше, ніж вас про це запитають.

ПОДЯКУЙТЕ ЗА СПІВБЕСІДУ

Не забудьте, закінчуючи співбесіду, домовитися про те, коли і як ви довідаєтеся про результати. Проявом чемності вважається після співбесіди висловити подяку в усному чи письмовому вигляді, або електронною поштою.

МАНЕРИ ЗА СТОЛОМ

Деякі співбесіди відбуваються під час обіду. Це можливість для того, хто наймає на роботу, побачити вас в іншому середовищі. Утримайтеся від того, щоб замовити найдорожчу страву, або розслабитися за декількома напоями. Не робіть зауваження іншим, виправляючи їх звички за столом. У Канаді прийнято чекати поки їжу не подадуть усім присутнім за столом, перш ніж почати їсти свою страву. Також не прийнято тягнутися через стіл,

варто попросити щоб вам передали те, що вам потрібно. Неєтично відповідати на телефонні дзвінки під час співбесіди чи обіду. Якщо ви забули вимкнути свій мобільний телефон заздалегідь, то вимкніть його коли він дзвонить і вибачтеся.

ЧАЙОВІ

У ресторанах (за винятком швидкого харчування) чи барах прийнято лишати чайові для офіціантів під час розрахунку. Це, звикло, складає 10-15% від вартості рахунку або більше – якщо ви вважаєте, що обслуговування було винятково якісним. Окрім офіціантів чайові прийнято лишати за послуги перукарів, водіїв таксі, доставки їжі чи піци.

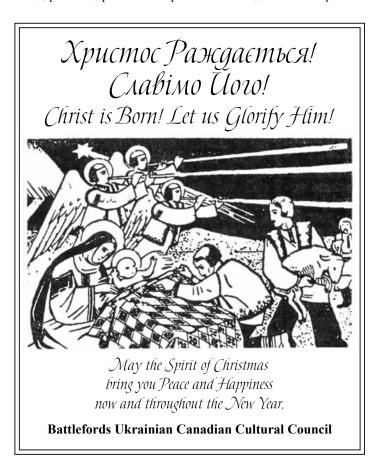
ТЕЛЕФОННЕ ПОВІДОМЛЕННЯ

Добре мати свою голосову пошту, щоб колеги по роботі або друзі могли залишати вам повідомлення, коли ви не в змозі відповісти на дзвінок. Ваш персональний запис автовідповідача має бути зрозумілим і таким, щоб вам не було соромно, коли його почує чи роботодавець, чи ваші батьки. Коли ви залишаєте повідомлення для когось, не забудьте вказати своє ім'я та номер телефону. Говоріть чітко і не поспішаючи, щоб адресант мав час записати ваше повідомлення та номер і не мав жодного виправдання, щоб вам не передзвонити.

ЕЛЕКТРОННА ПОШТА

Якщо ваша адреса електронної пошти відображає ваш характер та індивідуальність, але не підходить для усіх життєвих ситуацій, то краще мати 2 різні адреси електронної пошти. Деякі адреси можуть бути прийнятними для ваших друзів, але не підходити для роботи (наприклад hottie_girl@mail.net або vovan85kanada@mail.ru). Найбільш стандартною адресою електронної пошти для вашого резюме





може бути адреса з варіантами чи ініціалами вашого імені та прізвища (наприклад first.lastname@mail.net). Рекомендуємо не вживати доменне ім'я mail.ru та реєструватися латинкою, а не кирилицею. Англомовні адресанти можуть бути збентежені і, не зрозумівши імені, напевне відзначать ваше повідомлення як спам. Найбільш популярними безкоштовними провайдерами електронної пошти в Канаді на сьогодні рахуються: Gmail, Yahoo, Outlook, iCloud.

СТОСУНКИ ІЗ СПІВРОБІТНИКАМИ

Поняття ієрархії в Канаді є менш важливим, ніж в більшості інших країн. Пам'ятайте, що всі працівники є частиною компанії і повинні трактуватися відповідно. Завжди ставтеся до портьє, адміністративного помічника, прибиральниці так само, як ви ставитеся до топ-менеджерів. У компанії знайомих вам людей, де є незнайомі між собою особи, представте їх. Якщо ви забули чиєсь ім'я, вибачтеся і попросіть щоб нагадали.

СТОСУНКИ З БОСОМ

Стосунки з керівником, як правило, розглядаються трохи більш формально, ніж з іншими колегами. Можливо вам доведеться призначити прийом для обговорення питань з босом, у той час як з колегами по роботі ви можете це зробити невимушено.

ПОГАНЕ СТАВЛЕННЯ

Якщо хтось ставиться до вас погано, ви можете припустити, що він чи вона має особисті проблеми і пробачити їх поведінку. Це правило діє перший раз. Якщо це повторюється, ви повинні виправити ситуацію спокійно, чемно, але відверто і принципово. Якщо погане до вас відношення триває, ви можете обговорити це з відділом кадрів.

БАГАТОКУЛЬТУРНІ СТОСУНКИ

Канадське суспільство вкрай різноманітне. Будьте готові працювати з людьми з різних верств суспільства, різного походження, різних релігій. У професійній обстановці усі відмінності повинні бути відкинуті. Якщо ви маєте справу з людьми з іншої культури, які вимагають інших манер, варто зробити деякі дослідження про те, що очікувати і як реагувати. Будьте обережні, люди чутливі до цього.

НЕ ВАША СПРАВА

Хоча, як правило, добре мати дружні стосунки з вашими колегами, не провокуйте під час розмов чутливі питання, якщо вони самі не згадують про це першими. Коли співробітник говорить про речі, які ставлять вас у незручне становище – змініть тему. Трьома головними розмовними табу рахуються секс, політика та релігія.

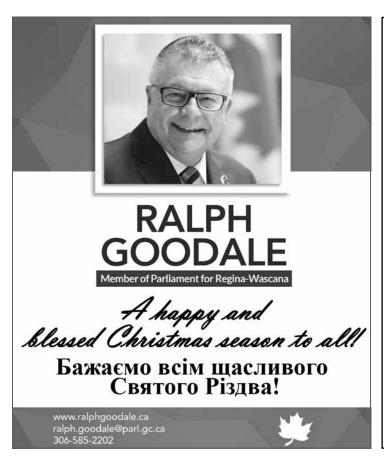
ПУНКТУАЛЬНІСТЬ

Канадці вважаються досить пунктуальними, і зустрічі чи прийоми починаються вчасно. Якщо ви запізнюєтеся чи скасовуєте домовлену раніше зустріч, то обов'язково повідомте про це інших.

Зауважте, що погодні умови канадської зими можуть іноді спричинити запізнення. Коли надворі хуртовина чи ожеледиця – додайте, відповідно, більше часу або скасуйте подорож.

стиль одягу

В цілому, малі підприємства є менш суворими щодо стилю ділового одягу в порівнянні з більш великими корпоративними установами. Традиційно деякі сектори, такі як банкові, законодавчі установи є більш консервативними, де діловий костюм чи сукня є нормою. В цілому, не відповідними для роботи вважаються: пляжні сандалі чи кросівки, спортивний одяг, графічні футболки, розі-





рваний одяг, тенк-топ майки. Багато робочих місць мають «Casual Fridays», що означає, що під кінець робочого тижня, щоп'ятниці співробітники мають право носити більш довільний одяг, наприклад футболки і джинси. Зауважте, що до церкви прийнято вбиратися у святковий, або діловий одяг. В українській громаді Канади склалася гарна традиція одягати до церкви (особливо на свята) деталі національного одягу, такі як вишиванки, хустки чи коралі.

У світі існує стереотип «ввічливих канадців». І хоча це можна назвати банальним кліше, в цілому, канадці є дружні, невибагливі люди, які цінують чесність, чуйність, чемність у відносинах з друзями та незнайомими людьми, а також мають повагу до приватного життя та індивідуальності інших. Очевидно, багатьом людям ще є над чим попрацювати аби досягти цих високих принципів, тим не менше, це визначення є основою того, що вважається «гарним тоном» в переважній більшості канадського суспільства. Будьте його частиною. \blacksquare

У статті використані матеріали публікації "What is Canadian etiquette at work?" settlement.org Автор статті дякує за допомогу: Юрій Кірушок

Новий співробітник в офісі КУК Саскачевану

Саскачеванська Провінційна Рада Конгресу Українців Канади вітає нового співробітника Андрія Бондар. Він працюватиме разом із Сергієм Королюком як радник із питань поселення іммігрантів. Радники з питань поселення іммігрантів допомагають новоприбулим приймати відповідальні та виважені кроки для успішного поселення та інтеграції в Саскачевані.



Андрій, родом з Черкас (Україна), разом із дружиною та сином нещодавно поселилися в Саскачевані.

Андрій – привітний та дружелюбний, і він з ентузіазмом прагне допомагати нашим клієнтам. Його багатий досвід буде особливо корисним у його роботі по допомозі у поселенні та інтеграції клієнтів, котрі починають нове життя в Саскачевані.

Якщо вам потрібна допомога в питаннях поселення, будь ласка, звертайтеся до Андрія з 9:30 до 17:00 з понеділка по п'ятницю за номером телефону 1.888.652.5850 додатковий номер 104 (в Саскатуні — 306.652.5850, додатковий номер 104) або за електронною адресою a.bondar@ucc.sk.ca.

UCC Saskatchewan Welcomes Newest Staff Member

UCC Saskatchewan is pleased to welcome Andrii Bondar to our settlement service team. Andrii joins Serhij Koroliuk as a Settlement Advisor. Settlement advisors assist newcomers in taking responsible, informed and proactive steps toward their successful settlement and integration.

Originally from Cherkasy, Ukraine, Andrii, his wife and son recently settled in Saskatchewan.

Andrii brings a friendly, outgoing demeanour as well as an enthusiasm to help others. His broad work experience will be of benefit to our newcomer clients as they settle and integrate into a new life in Saskatchewan.

If you require settlement services or information, please contact Andrii weekdays from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM at 1.888.652.5850, ext. 104 (in Saskatoon, 306.652.5850, ext. 104) or at a.bondar@ucc.sk.ca.

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Saskatchewan Remembers Holodomor

On November 24, 2015, Saskatchewan-Ukraine Relations Legislative Secretary Ken Krawetz helped light a memorial candle at the Saskatchewan Legislative Building to remember the millions of victims of Holodomor, a man-made famine that devastated Ukraine in the 1930s.

"Holodomor is an important historic event that I hope all Saskatchewan residents take a moment to reflect upon," Krawetz said. "I also encourage everyone to visit the Bitter Memories of Childhood statue, which serves as a permanent reminder of this tragedy and can be seen on the grounds of Wascana Centre in our provincial capital. People needlessly suffered and perished in Ukraine during this terrible



time in our world's history. Let us never forget this horrific event so that it may never be repeated."

The service with Krawetz and members of the Ukrainian com-

munity occurred during National Holodomor Awareness Week, which happened in 2015 from November 23 to 29 with International Holodomor Memorial Day on Saturday, November 28.

Holodomor, which means "extermination by hunger" in Ukrainian, is regarded by historians as a deliberate campaign of terror perpetuated by Soviet dictator Joseph Stalin and claimed the lives of seven to 10 million people from 1932 to 1933.

In May, an exact copy of the Bitter Memories of Childhood bronze statue by sculptor Petro Drozdowsky was dedicated in Regina and is located east of the Legislative Building along Lakeshore Drive, close to Avenue B. This project of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Regina Branch features a peasant girl holding a wheat sheaf and serves as a reminder of the famine's devastation and its impact on children. The original is near the entrance of the National Holodomor Museum in Kyiv, Ukraine.

The Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan was the first jurisdiction in North America to recognize this genocide with the passing of The Ukrainian Famine and Genocide (Holodomor) Memorial Day Act in 2008.

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HOLODOMOR COMMEMORATIONS IN SASKATCHEWAN







At the provincial commemoration in Regina. Top to bottom: UCC Saskatchewan President Mary Ann Trischuk; Fr. Vladimir Simunovic – St. Basil's Ukrainian Catholic Church, Fr. Michael Maranchuk – Descent of the Holy Spirit Ukrainian Orthodox Church, and Fr. Basil Malowany – St. Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Church leading the memorial service; lighting a candle to honour the victims are Mary Ann Trischuk, Anatoliy Prystupa and Kate Kropelnicky – students at Bishop Filevich Ukrainian Bilingual School, and Ken Krawetz – Saskatchewan-Ukraine Relations Legislative Secretary. GOVERNMENT OF SASKATCHEWAN PHOTOS





The University of Saskatchewan Ukrainian Students' Association held events in Saskatoon to raise awareness about the Holodomor. One of these was a candlelight vigil at the Lesya Ukrainka statue on campus November 26th (top). Above: St. Thomas More Campus Ministry member Fr. Andre Lalach of Dormition Ukrainian Catholic Parish leading the memorial service. For their other events and more photos, visit facebook.com/StudentyUofS.



On November 23rd, UCC Saskatoon's team of volunteers started Holodomor awareness week by providing and serving lunch to those who need it the most at Friendship Inn. For more photos, visit Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Saskatoon Branch on Facebook.

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On November 22, 2015, a Holodomor memorial service was held at the Holodomor Monument in the Battlefords in memory of the millions who perished during the genocidal

famine inflicted on Ukraine by the Soviet Regime (1932-1933). Fr. Ivan Nahachewsky and Fr. Bohdan Demczuk officiated the memorial service and blessed the Monument.

Following the service, approximately 50 people attended a memorial program at the Slawa Centre. Oksana Parkhomenko and Tanya Nychyk, recent immigrants from Ukraine, spoke



about this tragic event and its impact on the Ukrainian nation. Fathers Ivan and Bohdan also expressed their thoughts and perspectives about this manmade famine. "Memory Eternal" (Вічная пам'ять! - Vichnava pamyat) was sung at the end of the program. B

Христос народився.



Щиро вітаємо новоприбулих іммігрантів з України, їх роботодавців, усю українську громаду, а також наших партнерів з Міністерства Економіки з Різдвом Христовим, Святим Йорданом і Новим 2016 Роком! Бажаємо усім Божої ласки, успіхів у роботі, сімейного тепла, багато щирих друзів, надії, любові й добробуту.

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In this festive season of the Nativity of Christ, Blessed Epiphany and New Year, we extend warmest greetings to our community's newest arrivals from Ukraine, their employers, the Ukrainian community, and our partners within the Ministry of the Economy. May this special time be full of love, peace and happiness. Best wishes to all for a joyful and bountiful 2016!

Fappy Holidays!

Ukrainian Canadian Congress Saskatoon Branch

HOLODOMOR COMMEMORATIONS IN SASKATCHEWAN

Commemoration at Rama By Mary Kowalyshyn

Since the passing of Bill 40 in 2008 when Saskatchewan became the first province in Canada to recognize the Holodomor, Rama has continued to observe the fourth Saturday of November as the Commemoration of the Holodomor.

This year, Paul Kralka of Wadena was the guest speaker providing the background information of the Ukrainian Genocide of 1932-33. He recalled his visit to Ukraine whereby his relatives described the horrific acts under the leadership of Joseph Stalin. He noted how the starvation of 7 to 10 million was deemed propaganda and how Soviet Russia refused to admit that this actually happened. However, a journalist from The New York Times had a record of the event proving that the sharp decrease in Ukrainian population was indeed the result of the Holodomor. He also recalled visiting the original Memorial Site in Kyiv (statue of a thin, 11- or 12-year-old girl having experienced much hunger). Some very interesting discussion from the audience resulted from his presentation.

A moment of silence followed as the prayer for "Ukraine Remembers – the World Acknowledges" was read by Mary Kowalyshyn. Paul Kralka also inspired the audience with a second prayer to "The Blessed Mother."

The lighting of the Holodomor candle took place with Paul Kralka and his wife Mary Ann. The program concluded with everyone partaking in a piece of dry bread symbolizing the hunger as well as the wheat grain which had become the weapon for the genocide.

In addition, the explanation of the logo for the 125th Anniversary was made available in a brochure for all participants. 2016 will mark 125 years of Ukrainian immigration to Canada. With them

came their many talents – music, crafts, culture and food – that we all appreciate and enjoy!





Top: Lighting of the Holodomor candle takes place on November 28th at the Rama Golden Jets Centre with guest speaker, Paul Kralka, and his wife, MaryAnn. Above: Display set up for the Holodomor Commemoration. Display includes Ukrainian dancers, flags of Ukraine, Canada and Poland (as many Poles also were part of the genocide), dry bread, wheat, decorated Easter eggs (done by Vicky Buzinski), wedding bread, Recognition Certificate (presented by the Honourable Ken Krawetz in 2010), Holodomor books, miniature Ukrainian wreaths, Ukrainian table cloths and Holodomor candle.





Prince Albert Veselka Club Launches Celebrations Planning

The Veselka Prince Albert & District Ukrainian Culture and Heritage Association has launched the 125th Anniversary Celebrations planning sessions at their first meeting on November 9th in Prince Albert. The logo for the 125th was unveiled and enthusiastically received. As well, the UCC 125th Anniversary Planning Workbook was introduced and the 30 participants brainstormed and generated lots of wonderful ideas and projects that Prince Albert can showcase. They found the Workbook to be an excellent tool in guiding and developing activities.

Right off the get-go... Prince Albert's first major event to commemorate the Anniversary will be a "Malanka" to be held on Saturday, January 16, 2016 at the Travelodge Hotel. The goal of the Malanka will be to promote the 125th Anniversary, recreate some history, and of course bring in the New Year! Committees have been formed and information will be shared at the next general meeting on December 9, 2016. They look forward to an overwhelming response from members and community to gather and the opportunity to display and use the exceptional logo.



St. Petro Mohyla Institute "Celebrating 100 and Moving Forward"

St. Petro Mohyla Institute is excited to announce that a 100th anniversary celebration and reunion of "bursaky" will take place the weekend of June 24-26, 2016 in Saskatoon.

During the first decade of the last century, a number of educators and students of Ukrainian origin formed a society. Their interests revolved around the economic and cultural wellbeing of their fellow Ukrainian Canadians. At that time they launched a highly successful fundraising campaign to develop a Ukrainian-based residence and cultural institution in Saskatoon.

In June of 1916, a call for students went out. These students would attend high school, secondary schools, normal schools and university. The underlying principle of the institute was "to be a

good Canadian citizen, it is desirable to maintain one's origin and national culture." In short, Mohyla became a Ukrainian home away from home for students pursuing higher education.

With 2016 marking the 125th anniversary of Ukrainian immigration to Canada, it is fitting for St. Petro Mohyla Institute to be marking this milestone by celebrating "100 Years and Moving Forward"! Set your vacation plans to join us in Saskatoon at the end of June 2016 to meet and celebrate with fellow bursaky and mohylianky. An added treat: enjoy the Saskatchewan Jazz Festival when you are not at Mohyla reunion events June 24-26, 2016!

For more reunion information, please visit www.mohylainstitute.ca.



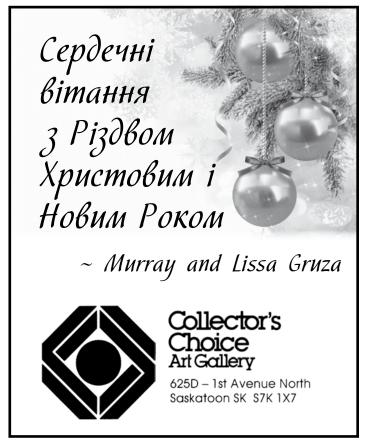
The Prince Albert & District Ukrainian Cultural & Heritage Association wishes all our Ukrainian friends

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Veselka Foam Lake: "Strong Roots – New Shoots" May 7, 2016

Veselka festivities will transpire during the week of May 2-7, 2016. During this week there will be several workshops: studynetz, paska/kolach and bandura. The studynetz and the paska/kolach workshops will be open to the public with a registration fee.

These workshops have been and continue to be popular. The bandura workshops will be available for the students of the Foam Lake Composite and the Foam Lake Elementary Schools. The instructor for the bandura workshops is Yarko Antonevych from Toronto. The bandura workshops will be held on Thursday, May 5 and Friday, May 6.

On Thursday, May 5 Halya Kuchmij will show four halfhour films about the Ukrainian pioneers and their life on the prairies. These films will be shown at the Foam Lake Theatre and are open to the public. Yarko will entertain the crowd with a fifteen-minute musical interlude.

On Saturday, May 7 the festival festivities commence with a Veselka pancake breakfast (7-10 a.m.) hosted by the Foam Lake and District Fire Department; at 11:30 a.m. our annual Veselka Parade takes place; this is followed by the noon luncheon hosted by the Foam Lake Air Cadets; the children's corner (Mini Veselka) will be held at the Foam Lake Legion from 12 noon to 2 p.m. The children are taught various arts/crafts (pysanky, dough art, colouring of Ukrainian drawings, storytelling about Ukrainian folklore, and introductory Ukrainian dance.

At 4 p.m. the festivities move to the Foam Lake Community Hall. The Zuchkan band will play at the door; guests are

greeted by our young door workers, Hospodar and Hospodynia.

Guests are treated to a fantastic Ukrainian supper cooked by Joan Malinowski. The performers are: Vohon (main dance group), Foam Lake Veselka Choir, Sawchuk Sisters (capture the hearts of our guests), bandurist Yarko Antonevych from Toronto, and Wishart Hopak Dancers. Half na Piv is our band for the evening, and Mike Ciona is our M.C.

At the mezzanine there will be a good variety of displayers eager to display and sell their items. We will have three large panels illustrating the immigration and settlement of our Ukrainian pioneers in and around Foam Lake. All in all, this will be an exciting and entertaining evening.

Veselka is financially supported by the ticket sales and profits from various sales, sponsorship and donations. The workshops are funded from registrations and grant money. This festival is organized by the Veselka Committee (nine members of various ages), and supported by the Foam Lake Hall Committee and various organizations in our community.

Through our workshops and volunteerism everyone is given an opportunity to learn about our culture and traditions. We promote and foster multiculturalism, harmony, and cooperation with our festival festivities.

For a great evening of entertainment and fun, come to our Veselka Festival on May 7, 2016. Tickets will go on sale in March of 2016. For the date of the ticket sales and all other details, visit our website at www.foamlakeveselka.ca.



Vesna Festival Want to Share Your Stories

2016 marks the 125th celebration of Ukrainian settlement in Canada. The open prairie welcomed many of those first settlers. Our theme for Vesna 2016 is "Sharing Your Stories of Our Ukrainian Canadian Journey." Organizers of Vesna Festival want to commemorate with a special project of collecting 125 stories and photographs from you of your families' journey in Saskatchewan's Ukrainian communities.

Your stories will be shared on display at the festival in our Cultural Lane for all of our guests to see.

Get your family together and discuss your unique journey over the past 125 years. Dig out those family history books, dust off those photo albums, sit down with Baba, Dido and the rest of your family to document your family's story. It is these stories that make our collective history amazing and we want to hear them. Every great story should be ac-



companied with photographs. We would love you to share a digital copy of some of those great old photographs.

Please check our website for a guideline to writing your stories and submitting your digital copies of your old photographs.

Please send submissions to vesnafestival@ shaw.ca, message them to our Facebook page or Twitter account. Deadline for submissions

is March 15, 2016.

Save the date for Vesna Festival 2016, May 7 at Prairieland Park.

"Sharing Your of Our Ukrainian Canadian Journey"

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Come share your stories and create new keepsake photographs at Vesna 2016! B

"Our family homestead still exists near Prud'homme. The century-old house complete with a sod-roof portion and

barn remain, but are sadly dilapidated. It is now abandoned, but still remains as a testament to our family and the unimaginable perseverance it took to survive in this new land. One can only imagine how deplorable the conditions were in Ukraine at the time to leave everything and move to Canada. What an incredible sacrifice they made for their family..."

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Festival of Cultures in Yorkton

On November 15th, the Yorkton Festival of Cultures celebrated its fifth anniversary at Sacred Heart High School with a whirlwind of colours, music, dance, and food. With 11 representative nations taking part in the event, the Festival broke its previous attendance records and proved once again that Yorkton is a community of open arms and engaged minds.

The Ukraine pavilion marked this year with the theme "125 years of Ukrainians in Canada," with a historical display exploring the reasons for Ukrainian migration to Canada, as well as the hardships of homesteading life. Many visitors enjoyed reminiscing together about their families' stories of settlement, survival, and eventual thriving on the Saskatchewan landscape. Conversation and laughter permeated the room as

guests explored an exhibit of an older-style Ukrainian kitchen, complete with a pich, a Christmas table, and delicious samples of *kutia* and fruit compote.

Two of our youngest volunteers set up a salon, where they styled hair into the intricate crown braids traditionally worn by Ukrainian girls and women. Their artistry was quickly recognized as their happy clients walked through the hallways, and soon a steady stream of women came to get their own kosy. Once the hairstyling was done, many of these ladies wanted to complete their new Ukrainian look, and received mini-lessons on how to wear a khustka (headscarf).

Representing UCC Saskatchewan, Yuriy Kirushok educated pavilion guests about both the Holodomor and the Canadian WWI internment camps. He also By Jennifer Fedun



Organizers, volunteers and guests at the Ukraine pavilion

served as a geography expert, walking many curious guests through historical and current

geo-politics via a large map of Ukraine.

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May you enjoy good health, and much happiness in the New Year 2016













Father Jeffrey Stephaniuk surprised and delighted us by providing a wonderful impromptu bandura concert, getting the entire room singing along with his truly outstanding musicianship. In the Festival Gala showcase, Troyanda Ensemble impressed everyone with their continuously high-energy performance.

A special thank-you is extended to Marlene Bodnar and Martin Hryniuk of Musée Ukraina Museum for their generous donations to our gift basket raffle, as well as to Ladan Building Group for their sponsorship of our historical display area. UCC Saskatchewan is also recognized for its continued support

for this event.

The Yorkton Festival of Cultures is hosted by Partners in Settlement and Integration/Yorkton Newcomer Welcome Centre, under the guidance of the Saskatchewan Abilities Council.



Український Православний Храм Всіх Святих

Ukrainian Orthodox Church of All Saints 2616 Louise Street, Саскатун

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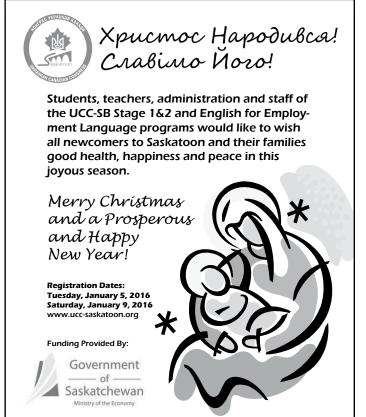
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Spivohrai Christmas Concert



The Spivohrai Ukrainian Children's Choir invites you to attend a Christmas concert it is presenting on Sunday, January 24, 2016 at Third Avenue United Church in Saskatoon. Doors open at 6:30 PM.

Joining the choir with guest performances will be the Lastiwka Ukrainian Orthodox Choir and Orchestra, violinist Ana Besermenji, guitarists Zdravko Besermenji and Ruslan Goloshchuk, Petro Stetsko on sopilka, Mykola Karnaukh on vibraphone, and pianist Ying Qi.

Tickets are \$10 and are available at UCC Saskatchewan, New Community Credit Union, Slavianka Ukrainian Food Store and Musée Ukraina Museum. The concert is sponsored by New Community Credit Union, UCC Saskatchewan and the Ukrainian Tryzub Society.

Edward Lysyk Ukrainian Scholars Award

In May of 2015, the Edward Lysyk Ukrainian Scholars Award criterion was published with a target awarding date set for the fall of 2015. Prior to his passing, Ed had requested that, in lieu of floral donations, an educational scholarship program be set up, targeting Ukrainian descent university students with a priority for those taking medical classes.

The Lysyk family then established the criteria for the awards based on Ed's wishes. The generous donations received enabled the family to make three awards of \$2,100 each available to the successful applicants. Applications were

accepted by UCC Regina until September 15, 2015. The family received over twenty worthy applications which made it very difficult for the family to then select the final three successful recipients. UCC Regina played an important role in receiving the student applications and in administering the donation collections for the Lysyk family.

The three successful students for this award program were all nursing students born in Ukraine. The award recipients are: Yulia Firman - Saskatoon, Olesya-Kseniya Khmarun - Regina and Inna Baga - Englefeld. Please join us in congratulating these three talented students and, also, in thanking the other award applicants for their interest in this award. Best wishes for a very successful future to all students.



Olesya-Kseniya Khmarun of Regina (left) receiving her award from Janet Lysyk.

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Roundtable on Rural Eastern Rite Churches

"Documenting the Prairie Churches of Eastern Rite: Where Are We Now and What is Next?"

February 4, 2016 | St. Thomas More College, University of Saskatchewan Campus, Saskatoon

You are invited to participate in a dialogue on the state and fate of rural prairie churches of the Eastern rite. The university-community exchange "Documenting the Prairie Churches of Eastern Rite: Where Are We Now and What is Next?" is being hosted by the Prairie Centre for the Study of Ukrainian Heritage, Department of Religion and Culture (St. Thomas More College, University of Saskatchewan), Ukrainian Museum of Canada and Musée Ukraina Museum.

University of Alberta researchers Natalie Kononenko, Frances Swyripa and Eva Himka will be on hand to present their findings from "Sanctuary: the Spiritual Heritage Documentation Project." The Sanctuary Project team has been conducting fieldwork across the Canadian prairies, documenting, through photography and other methods, Byzantine rite, primarily Ukrainian, churches.

This work comes at a crucial time. Ukrainian religious faith and sacral culture is manifested in hundreds of distinctive, onion-domed buildings across the prairie

landscape. This is the most significant post-Byzantine cultural expansion anywhere in the New World. Yet it is under threat as demographic changes lead to the closing and destruction of churches. The research



team is creating a record of buildings that hold tremendous emotional importance to people and of the sacred rituals that bring the buildings to life, The final goal is to produce a digital database of unprecedented size and detail which will allow scholars and decision-makers to better understand Canadianization.

Documenting both tangible and intangible cultural heritage, the team hopes to make the data as useful as possible to all. To that end, the proposed workshop aims to bring together the Sanctuary research team, church representatives, museum workers and interested community members to discuss the research findings and their future utilization. The team is looking forward to learning from Saskatchewan professionals so that the formatting and presentation of the project data can be made as relevant to potential users as possible.

The roundtable and presentations will take place 4 to 6 PM with a reception to follow from 6 to 8 PM.

To reserve your free spots (for you and colleagues), please contact the Prairie Centre for the Study of Ukrainian Heritage (St. Thomas More College) at pcuh@stmcollege.ca or 306-966-8932. Or visit the St. Thomas More College website where the link to this event will be set up.



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Trying to Improve Conditions of Orphanage

Families Fundraise for Ukraine Children

By Sabrina Kraft

Weyburn This Week, October 16, 2015 – For two local families, it is very important to support Oksana's Harvest, a private charitable outreach program that is engaged with seven orphanages in the Odesa region of Ukraine. These families have both adopted children from Ukraine. Marcel and Kym van Staveren have adopted three children. The most recent additions were sisters Alina, age 13 and Oksana, age 15.

Wayne and Clair Vilcu have adopted siblings Olya, age 13 and Oleg, age 15. These siblings recently immigrated to Canada, joining the Vilcu family, in May.

Oksana attends the Weyburn Comp, while the other three go to the Weyburn Junior High. They are all enjoying being active in after-school activities. Oleg is involved in football, while Oksana, Alina and Olya are all involved in their school choirs.

They have all enjoyed making new friends since moving to Weyburn.

Before coming to Weyburn, all four of these children had stayed in the same orphanage. So they are very familiar with the conditions of the facilities, and the needs of the children who are still unadopted.

The van Staveren and Vilcu families are currently raising funds to improve conditions at the orphanage in Balta.

They have recently purchased a commercial size fridge and are now raising funds to purchase new windows for the orphanage.

Many of the windows in children's bedrooms do not open, and they would like to replace them. There are 10-12 children in a bedroom and just over 200



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Four teens who were adopted from Ukraine are adapting to Weyburn as their new home. At top are Alina and Oksana, sisters who were adopted by Marcel and Kym van Staveren. At bottom are Oleg and Olya, who were adopted by Wayne and Clair Vilcu. The children actively support their orphanages through collecting donations for Oksana's Harvest, a private charitable outreach engaged with seven orphanages in the Odesa region of Ukraine.

children in the orphanage.

"They have three levels (in the orphanage), and in the top level is really bad so it gets really cold," said Oksana. "Every year they tape the windows to keep the cold out."

"In the winter it can be pretty freezing."

Improving the facility conditions of the orphanage is just one of the ways that the families try to help. Last year, they collected blankets and warm clothing for the orphanage.

The average standard of living in Ukraine has decreased by 80 per cent over the last 20 years. Poverty and sickness are brought on by the inability to provide adequate nutrition and healthcare.

There are 100,000 orphans who live in Ukraine's 450 orphanages. Also, there are 100,000 more children who are living on the streets because the orphanages are full.

Especially during last year because of the conflict in eastern Ukraine, the need was great for Oksana's Harvest.

The organization worked with a number of organizations that stretched the supplies and funds as far as possible to provide basic necessities to the orphans, needy and refugees.

Those residents who want to donate to Oksana's Harvest can drop off monetary donations at Dynasty Hair Designs in Weyburn, located at 136 Third Street.

One of the projects that Oksana's Harvest is also working on is to raise funds for an agriculture project at one of their orphanages, which includes planting 100 fruit trees, building a greenhouse, and planting a vegetable garden.

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EVENT	WHEN	WHERE & CONTACT INFO
Musée Ukraina Museum Retrospective Exhibit of Artist Ivan Ostafiychuk	until Jan 31	Musée Ukraina Museum, Saskatoon 306-244-4212
4th Annual Ukrainian Night with the Saskatoon Blades	Jan 3, 2 PM	SaskTel Centre, Saskatoon 306-975-8844
PCUH Exhibit – "Money, Sovereignty and Power: The Paper Currency of Revolutionary Ukraine, 1917-1920"	Jan 8-Feb 20	Godfrey Dean Gallery, Yorkton
Malanka: Hafford Cheremka Dancers	Jan 9	Hafford Communiplex
Traditional Malanka: Yevshan Ukr. Folk Ballet Ensemble 55th Anniversary	Jan 15, 5:30 pm	TCU Place (Ballroom ABCDE), Saskatoon 306-374-7976
Malanka: Boyan Ukrainian Dance Association	Jan 16, 5 pm	Prairieland Park, Saskatoon
Chaban's Ukrainian New Year's Eve Celebration	Jan 16	Conexus Arts Centre – Convention Hall, Regina chabanregina@gmail.com
Rosthern Ukrainian Dolyna Dancers Malanka 2016	Jan 16	Rosthern 306-232-9012
Tavria's Malanka	Jan 16	St. Athanasius Parish, Regina
Malanka: Prince Albert Veselka Club	Jan 16	Travelodge Hotel, Prince Albert 306-764-8037
Malanka: Troyanda Ukrainian Dance Ensemble	Jan 16	Gallagher Centre, Yorkton 306-782-9322
Malanka: Wakaw Ukrainian Dancing Association	Jan 16, 5 pm	Rec Centre, Wakaw
Malanka: Rushnychok Ukrainian Folk Dance Association	Jan 23	North Ridge Centennial Community Centre, Martensville
Malanka 2016: Weyburn & District Ukrainian Canadian Cultural Council	Jan 23	McKenna Hall, Weyburn 306-458-2420
Spivohrai Christmas Concert Різдвяний Концерт	Jan 24, 7 pm	Third Avenue United Church, Saskatoon
Пущення – Mardi Gras Ukrainian Style: Dormition Ukrainian Catholic Parish	Jan 30, 5 pm	St. Joseph High School, Saskatoon 306-715-1828
Community Roundtable on Documenting the Prairie Churches of Eastern Rite: PCUH, STM, UMC, MUM	Feb 4, 4 pm	St. Thomas More College, Room 1001 (U of S campus), Saskatoon 306-966-8932
15th Annual King of Kovbasa Challenge: UCPBA of Saskatoon	Feb 4, 7 pm	Prairieland Park, Saskatoon 306-229-8428
Zabava Night: University of Saskatchewan Ukrainian Students Association	Feb 6, 6:30 pm	Details TBA Saskatoon studentyuofs@gmail.com, facebook.com/StudentyUofS
PCUH Mohyla Lecture: Dr. Taras Kuzio of CIUS, U of AB – "Donbas, Crimea and the Euromaidan: Ukrainian Independence vs. Russian Imperialism"	Feb 11, 7 pm	St. Thomas More College Auditorium, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon
24th Annual Tavria Ukrainian Folk Dance Ensemble Dance Festival	Mar 12-13	Regina Performing Arts Centre, Regina tavria.org
Prince Albert Barveenok Ukrainian Dance Festival	Apr 1-3	E.A. Rawlinson Centre for the Arts, Prince Albert pabarveenok.com/festival.html
Musée Ukraina Museum 60th Anniversary Gala dinner	Apr 10	Saskatoon Travelodge, Saskatoon 306-244-4212
12th Annual Pavlychenko Folklorique Ensemble Dance Showcase	Apr 14-17	Prairieland Park, Saskatoon 306-653-4031
11th Annual Lloydminster Ukrainian Dancing on the Border Festival	Apr 29-May 1	$Vic\ Juba\ Cmty\ Theatre, Lakeland\ College, Lloydminster, AB\ malankadancers@gmail.com$
26th Annual North Battleford Svoboda Ukrainian Dance Festival	May 5-8	Dekker Centre for the Performing Arts, North Battleford svobodafestival@hotmail.com
2016 Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) Congress	May 5-8	Saskatoon studentyuofs@gmail.com, facebook.com/StudentyUofS
Yorkton Kalyna Ukrainian Dance Festival	May 6-8	Anne Portnuff Theatre, Yorkton Regional High School, Yorkton yorktonkalyna.net
21st Annual Veselka Festival 2016 (Foam Lake)	May 7, 4 pm	Foam Lake Community Hall, Foam Lake foamlakeveselka.ca
Vesna Festival 2016	May 7, 5 pm	Prairieland Park, Hall A, Saskatoon vesnafestival.com
St. Petro Mohyla Institute: "Celebrating 100 and Moving Forward" Reunion	Jun 24-26	Saskatoon 306-653-1944
Cana Family Camp: Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon	Aug 7-13	St. Michael's Camp, Madge Lake ucfamilylifeoffice@sasktel.net (reg'n starts in Jan/16)
Dave Mysak Kovbasa Klassic Golf Tournament: UCPBA Saskatoon	Aug 25	Moon Lake Golf & Country Club 306-683-0407
XXV Congress of Ukrainian Canadians	Sep 29-Oct 2	Delta Hotel, Regina
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Malanka: Yevshan Ukrainian Folk Ballet Ensemble	Jan 14	Saskatoon

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