



UKRAINIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF CANADA NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

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GREETINGS

With the Nativity Fast upon us, and the Feast of the Nativity quickly approaching, we greet the Bishops and Clergy and all members of the UOCC, and the executives and members of the Ukrainian Self-Reliance League. This is a time of annual meetings, elections of new executives, and plans for the year to come. We wish everyone a good, productive year. We congratulate the new executives and wish them good health and success in their new positions.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Ukrainian Women's Association sincerely congratulates His Eminence Metropolitan Yurij on the occasion of his enthronement, which took place at the Holy Trinity Cathedral in Winnipeg on November 21, 2010. May the lord bless our new Metropolitan, and send down His Grace upon him. May he be granted good health and many years as the Archpastoral leader of our Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada. Mnohaya Lita, Vladyko!

AWARDS

We congratulate the following recipients of Awards:

Order of Canada – Orysia Sushko

Shevchenko Medal (UCC) - Orest Warnyca, Regina

Lucas Makowsky, Regina

Michael Slipchuk - Edmonton

Hetman Award (UCC, Alberta) - Dobr. Nadia Kryschuk, and Katrina Baziuk

Nation-Builders (UCC, SK) – Mary Woroniuk-Budzak, Saskatoon

Gerald Luciuk, Regina Alex Patryluk, Regina Taras Zwarych, Yorkton Lucas Makowsky, Regina

We wish each of these honorees good health and much success in their future endeavours.

PROMIN' ANNIVERSARY

We have a month left to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of our journal, Promin'. It is our hope that each branch has recognized this significant milestone in some way, and if not, there still is some time left. It is also our hope that all members are subscribing to the journal, it is a nice way to recognize the importance of having our own publication. Please send in the reports of your Anniversary celebration to be printed in Promin'. We encourage all branches to share the work they are doing by sending in reports of all their activities within their Parish and branch.

VISUAL ARTS COMPETITION

We are most pleased to announce the winners of the Visual Arts Competition, sponsored by the National Executive. They are:

- 1. Design a Web page for the National UWAC Jennifer Talbot, Winnipeg
- 2. Design a Cover page for Promin' Jennifer Talbot, Winnipeg
- 3. Open Category (Ukrainian Theme) Tatiana Makowsky, Saskatoon We congratulate these winners for their entries, which were all beautifully done. We also thank them for taking the time to produce these wonderful works of art, and submitting them to our contest.

UKRAINIAN ALBUM

Well-known song artist, former member of CYMK/UOY, former member of Lastiwka choir, Theresa Sokyrka, has recorded an album of traditional Ukrainian songs. She is asking for assistance with the costs of this project, and has some unique ideas for any interested branch or group. We all appreciate music which is produced by "one of our own", and we encourage groups and individuals to support this project. Enclosed with this Newsletter is a letter from Theresa with information about her recording.

PIN DESIGNATIONS

Smoloskyp Pin add-on bars for years of service are now available from the National Office. Designations for the following years of service are available: 10 years; 25 years; 40 years; 50 years; 60 years; and 70 years.

The cost of these add-ons is \$5, and they can be ordered anytime.

UKRAINIAN MUSEUM OF CANADA

The Ukrainian Museum of Canada held a successful Yarmarok on November 26, 27, 28. Friday night featured a Fashion Show, "Bells of Hope", showing coats, hats, and jewelry. A musical group entertained all those in attendance.

On Saturday and Sunday a variety of artisans displayed and sold their wares. The Bishop Filevich Ukrainian Bilingual School choir delighted all those present with their renditions of Koliady. Lunch was provided by "Nashi". The atmosphere was warm and inviting - a wonderful place to meet, visit, and experience.

We again remind everyone that the 75th Anniversary of the museum will be celebrated in 2011. There will be more information sent out as the time approaches. All UWAC branches are encouraged to commemorate this event in some way. You all have a stake in it – the UMC belongs to us, the UWAC. A very significant way would be to ask each Soyuzanka to also become a member of the museum. Individual memberships are \$20. This membership gives you the following: Museum Newsletters; admission to the museum; and 10% discount on all purchases made at the boutique. Also, the number of members has an effect on the availability of grants – the more members, the easier it is to get grant funding.

Let us make 2011 a Banner Year for the Ukrainian Museum of Canada.

ANKETA

The Anketa forms for the year 2011 are enclosed with this Newsletter. Please make every effort to get these back to us by the deadline date so they can be processed before year-end. We encourage each branch to name a Chaplain for your branch.

Also, please make certain that you list the amounts of all your donations, as we record annual statistics, which should include all the money that you donated in that year. For your information, we are including the financial part of the statistics.

UWAC BRANCH STATISTICS FOR 2009

BRANCHES		<u>MEMBERS</u>
B.C. :	5	86
Alberta:	14	670
Sask.:	19	518
Man.:	12	251
Ontario:	8	281
Totals:	58	1806

TOTAL AMOUNT OF BRANCH DONATIONS IN EACH CATEGORY IN 2009

Promin':	\$ 17,775.00
Benevolent :	1,159.00
Natalia Kobrynska Publ.:	1,803.00
Organizational:	4,263.00
Ukrainian Orthodox Church:	344,793.56
CYMK:	4,983.00
UMC:	20,922.50
Institutes:	10,290.00
St. Andrew's College:	2,240.00
Ukrainian Voice:	2,376.00
Visnyk:	350.00
SUS Foundation:	2,800.00
Aid to Ukraine:	34,600.79
Prov. Executives:	1,305.00
Church Camps:	5,545.00
Holodomor:	1,450.00
Other Charities (Community, etc.)	35,550.47

GRAND TOTAL: \$492,206.32

We thank you for your generous donations. The lord mandated us to help others: "I was hungry and you fed me, I was thirsty, and you gave me to drink, I was naked and you clothed me.......".

We are proud to say that we are following His command. Please continue your good works, and God will continue to bless us. (Isn't it amazing what 1806 women can do?)

SASKATCHEWAN UWAC PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE

The Provincial UWAC Executive for Saskatchewan is moving from Regina to Saskatoon. The new Provincial President is Sylvia Boychuk of Saskatoon. We congratulate her on accepting this position, and wish her much success in her term of office. We will be sending the new Executive roster when it is completed.

We thank Past-President, Aileen Pillipow of Regina, as well as all the members of the outgoing Executive, for their dedication and work on the Provincial Executive, and wish them good health and success in all their endeavors.

CYC NATIONAL CONVENTION, 2011

I just received a notice from the Convention Planning Committee in Edmonton, that the convention dates have been changed. The new dates are: <u>August 11 to 14, 2011.</u> The Westin Hotel space is available for the new dates, and they are working on the venue spaces. We will be hearing from them again.

Please mark your calendars with the new dates. We are encouraging every branch to send delegates to this convention. There are important issues to discuss, especially the Constitution changes. We will also be launching the new Power Point and DVD for you to use for informing members, and prospective members, about our Association. I realize that some branches may have some difficulty with convention costs, therefore I urge you to be creative with fundraising, and start planning for the convention right after the New Year. We look forward to meeting all of you there.

We wish everyone a very merry Christmas, and much enjoyment with your families and friends. May the birth of the Christ Child fill our hearts with peace, love, and joy while we attend Nativity Services, celebrate in our homes, and sing, or listen to, Koliady. May the New Year, 2011, bring you and your families good health, and much happiness.

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