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ЗНОВИМ РОКОМ ВІТАЄМО! ХРИСТОС НАРОДИВСЯ! СЛАВІМ ЙОГО!

The Executive and the Board of Directors of UCC-APC, would like to take this opportunity to thank you - our community members and organizations - for your commitment to our Ukrainian Canadian community. Without your dedication to our organizations, programs and activities, our Ukrainian community would not be as rich and vibrant as it is.

We also wish to thank all the generous supporters of UCC-APC. Together we will continue our efforts in meeting the mission of UCC-APC through the many activities we undertake. Our mandate is to strengthen and grow a unified Ukrainian Canadian Community in Alberta committed to preserving our heritage, culture and language.

Thank you for your support!

Ми дякуємо Вам за ваші щедрі пожертви та підтримки КУК-ПРА. Разом ми будемо продовжувати наші зусилля в досягненні місії КУК-ПРА через багато видів діяльності ми беремо на себе. Наш мандат полягає в тому, щоб зміцнити і розвивати єдину українську канадський громаду в Альберті. Ми зобов'язалися зберігати нашу спадщину, культуру і мову. Дякуємо за вашу підтримку!

UCC-APC NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!

Each year at this time we turn to our community for your support through a donation that will assist UCC-APC continue providing the various programs and projects in support of our province's Ukrainian community. Our office has become the hub to information, activities, and arising issues, both local and abroad. Our responsibilities to our community have grown and therefore to further continue with the many obligations of the UCC-APC office to the Ukrainian community, we need your support. This coming year, 2016 is the beginning of the 125 Anniversary of Ukrainians Immigration to Canada. Our committees are working hard in preparation of several celebrations! Ukrainian Day, August 7, 2016 will be our launch for the 125th anniversary.

Please consider contributing to the development of better services for our Ukrainian- Canadian community. A donar slip has been provided for you on bottom of page 4.

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The first phase of the new building for the Ukrainian Canadian Archives and Museum of Alberta (UCAMA) is currently 79% complete. Initially the opening of Phase One of the building was scheduled for 2014. Various government funders, foundations, corporations and individual donors have donated a significant amount to get the building to this point. The reality is that the rising construction costs and the challenges of working with a designated historic building have increased costs and have put this project in jeopardy. The construction is currently at a standstill until more funding is secured.

This is a plea to organizations and individuals in the Ukrainian and broader community for donations to this exciting project. The donations are needed now so that the project can be completed and the museum can tell the story of the Ukrainian community in Alberta and its contributions to this province.

This project is not just about a building. It is about what it will preserve, what it will teach and what it will share with school children, visitors to the city, Edmontonians and Albertans alike. Once complete, this facility will be the only state of the art museum and archives facility in Canada dedicated to the preservation and presentation of the history

of Ukrainians in Canada. The significant ethnographic and archival collections of Alberta's Ukrainians, deserve to be a living testament and lasting legacy to our proud history as Canadians of Ukrainian descent.

Please support this project and show that the Edmonton community cares about its past and help us share our history. Your contribution – no matter how small or large – is important and will be integral in making this vision a reality.

Rising construction costs have left us with a shortfall of \$4.5 million to complete phase 1 of the UCAMA museum construction project. Please make your donations now and help us complete the museum and archives building, so that UCAMA can preserve our past well into the future.

Over 125,000 people of Ukrainian descent live in Edmonton. Can you imagine if every person gave just one dollar for each year of the 125 years since Ukrainians first immigrated to Canada, we could raise \$15,625,000, enough to complete Phase 1, Phase 2, and establish an endowment. We have enormous strength in numbers. Surely our collective heritage is worth \$125 per person.

For more information and to donate, please contact:

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Hetman Awards, 2015

This year's Hetman Gala was held at the Ukrainian Youth Unity Complex, Sunday, October 18, 2015 in Edmonton. Prior to the dinner, there was a Kozak reception, where guests were greeted with bread and salt, by members of Arts of Life. The Verkhovyna choir provided a musical interlude.

The evening proceeded with MC- Adrian Warchola welcoming guests. Olesia Luciw-Andryjowycz, President gave opening remarks, followed by the awards and dinner. The Arts of Life group and Ruta provided the entertainment for the

evening, honouring the recipients of the Hetman Awards. Special guests included the most reverend, Bishop David Motiuk. Representing the Government of Alberta, Minister of Economic Development and Trade, Deron Bilous gave greetings, and described the honourees as "shining examples of quiet dedication".

Beautiful tortes were served by members of the executive and Bishop David. Sponsors this year included; Sandy's Ukrainian Foods, Volya Dance Group, Shumka, High Stick Vodka, Souvenir Vodka, Liquor Express, Audrey Uzwyshyn, Dr. O Markevych.



Hetman Awards, October 18, 2015 recipients: L-R: Olesia Luciw-Andryjowycz, President of UCC-APC, Steffie Chmilar, Olee Wowk, Ivanna Kuchlak, Mary-Ann Sech, Emil Yereniuk, Vlodko Boychuk, and Bohdan Walkiw



L to R: Minister Deron Bilous, Mr. Leonid Korownyk, Mrs. Natalia Talanchuk, survivors and Olesia Luciw-Andryjowycz, President of UCC-APC lighting the candles. November 25, 2015

On November 25, 2015, the 7th Anniversary of the Ukrainian Famine and Genocide (Holodomor) Memorial Day Act commemoration was hosted by the Honourable Robert E. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, MLA, Medicine Hat, in co-operation with the Ukrainian Canadian Congress-Alberta Provincial Council and the League of Ukrainian Canadians. "Today we commemorate the victims of the Holodomor; and through this day, we increase the community's awareness of the genocide by famine that occurred in Ukraine in 1932-33." Ukrainian Famine display panels were provided courtesy of the League

of Ukrainian Canadians. All leaders of the official opposition, PC, Liberal, and Alberta party, gave commemorations. The song "Dry Tears" and "Vichnaja Pamjat'" were sung by the Ukrainian Bilingual Program students of St. Martin and St. Matthew Catholic School Choirs.



Edmonton Journal Insert, November 23, 2015

On Saturday, November 28, 2015, at Edmonton City Hall, UCC-Edmonton Branch had a commemoration of the Holodomor. Keynote speakers were Linda Duncan, MP Edmonton-Strathcona, UCC-Edmonton President, Serge Kostyuk. The Verkhovyna choir sang the prayers, Vichnaja Pamjat'.



UCC - Edmonton Holodomor commemoration at Edmonton City Hall, Nov. 28, 2015

In Calgary, UCC - Calgary held an Evening Candle light Vigil, Friday November 27, 2015 at Memorial Dr. and Edmonton Trail. On Saturday, November 28, 2015 a memorial commemoration was held at St. Vladimir's Ukrainian Cultural Centre.



UCC - Calgary Holodomor commemoration at St. Vladimir's Ukrainian Cultural Centre, Nov. 28, 2015

Aid for Ukraine



КУК Альберти допоміг пораненим бійцям Збройних Сил України зустріти свято Миколая. 15 сімей отримали фінансову допомогу.

UCC Alberta helped the wounded soldiers of the Armed Forces of Ukraine to meet St. Nicholas. 15 families received financial assistance.

Since renovations began in the summer of 2013, astounding progress has been made. The house has been re-painted its unique lemon yellow colour, and is scheduled to be completed and revealed on **August 7, 2016 Ukrainian Day**.


When completely restored, the house will serve a variety of purposes; it will be an educational facility, a meeting space, and most importantly, a monument emblemizing the successes and legacies of our Ukrainian pioneers accomplished through perseverance, dedication and hard work.

The Stelmach house restoration project is one of several initiatives undertaken by the UCC - APC that recognize, promote and preserve Ukrainian heritage in Canada. Your support helps the UCC-APC realize its goals of uniting and empowering the Ukrainian community across Alberta.



To find out how you can support the Stelmach House renovation and other major initiatives, please visit www.uccab.ca, call 780-414-1624, or email uccab@shaw.ca

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Christmas
GREETINGS



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- To aide volunteers who were wounded during the ATO.
- To help displaced refugees who left their homes during the ATO, living in western Ukraine.
- To provide financial and psychological support for families of victims.
- To deliver medicine and medical supplies in the area of anti-terrorist operations (ATO)
- To supply clean drinking water in the area of anti-terrorist operations (ATO).
- To deliver food, hygiene & house-hold products to zones of ATO.

If You would like to make a donation to help, our Wounded soldiers, you can do so, at any
 President's choice Branch: 30800-010-0065142586

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