



MUSEE UKRAINA MUSEUM

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Eparchial Fundraising Campaign Raises \$175,553.00 to Date for the New Musée Ukraina Museum Building

Musée Ukraina Museum takes great pleasure in announcing that \$175,533.00 has been raised to date since the Eparchial Campaign began on October 14, 2007 at the Eparchial Convention in Yorkton. At that time we set a goal of gathering \$1M through donations from parishioners throughout the Eparchy. The target amount of \$1M remains and we have two years left in the campaign to attain our financial objective.

The generous response through donations and pledges from many of the faithful members of our Eparchy shows the dedication of our people in creating a place that preserves and celebrates our heritage. "We are very pleased with the generosity of the many individuals, families and clergy towards this valuable project" noted President, Patricia Mialkowski. "We are especially indebted and truly grateful to all the Clergy who support and continue the fundraising, by not only helping to organize the Campaign in their own parishes, but by encouraging their parishioners to be generous and to set an example through their own benevolent financial contributions." We are also inspired by the amount of new donors who have stepped forward to support this project".

Over the next two years, we encourage you to consider a "memorial donation" to the Museum that would honor the memory of a deceased relative, a beloved mother, father, grandmother or grandfather, who so beautifully embodied the true pioneering spirit of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Saskatchewan.

The Fundraising Committee for the New Museum Building will be working with parishes whose names do not appear on the list to provide parishioners the opportunity to assist financially towards this construction project

The following is a list of the four Deaneries and their respective parishes that became involved in the Campaign this year. Next to the name of each parish is the total amount donated to date, by its individual members:

Eparchial Campaign to Date as of September 2, 2008

Prince Albert Deanery \$ 16,530.00

Prince Albert – St. George's	\$15,050.00
Hafford – Holy Eucharist	\$ 1,000.00
Nipawin – All Saints	\$ 480.00

Saskatoon Deanery \$134,883.00

Saskatoon - Ss. Peter & Paul	\$93,153.00
Saskatoon -St. George's	\$30,580.00
Saskatoon – Dormition	\$11,150.00

Yorkton Deanery \$ 8,510.00

Yorkton – St. Mary's	\$ 8,510.00
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Regina Deanery \$ 15,630.00

Regina -St. Basil's	\$ 2,300.00
Regina -St. Athanasius	\$ 360.00
Moose Jaw – Assumption	\$ 12,970.00

To all those who have selflessly contributed to this Campaign and to all future donors, may God generously bestow upon you His choicest blessings and may He guide us all as we work towards a successful conclusion of this special project.

Submitted by Campaign Co-Chairmen: Bill Gulka & Paul Hnenny

Building Fund Update September 2, 2008

Committed Funds towards building	\$1,380,450.00
Endowment Funds towards sustainability	\$186,294.00
Total	\$ 1,592,744.00

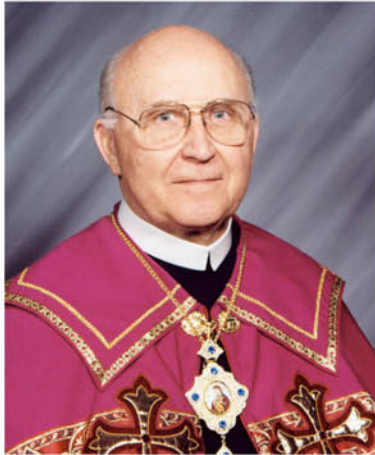
Parishioners of St. George's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Prince Albert Raise Over \$15,000.00

The dedicated parishioners of St. George's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Prince Albert responded generously to the Eparchial Campaign to raise funds for the New Museum Building. Under the leadership of Parish Campaign Chair, Oristeen Kulyk and Pastor, Fr. Ivan Nahachewsky, parishioners have pledged and donated \$15,050.00.

Oristeen Kulyk and Rev. Fr. Ivan Nahachewsky present the Eparchial Campaign donations and pledges from St. George's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Prince Albert to Museum representatives - Martin Hryniuk and Diane Boyko



WE BID FAREWELL TO THE EPARCHY OF SASKATOON'S 4th BISHOP



Musée Ukraina Museum wishes to acknowledge the many years that Emeritus Bishop Michael Wiwchar, CSsR, has spent on the Board of Directors as an Ex-Officio member. He shared the same dream as Bishop Andrew Roborecki who rallied the UCWLC members back in 1953. They both recognized the importance of preserving the accomplishments of our Ukrainian ancestors for future generations. Bishop Michael guided the Board to ensure that our religious history would have a significant place in the New Museum Building with the establishment of a Religious and Chapel Gallery.

The driving force behind the Eparchial Campaign for a New Museum Building which was launched on October 13, 2007 at the 32nd Eparchial convention in Yorkton was Bishop Michael. Along with his leadership he committed \$5,000.00 to the Capital Campaign and pledged \$5,000.00 to an Endowment Fund and challenged others to do the same.

Bishop Michael always championed and reinforced the value of keeping the Ukrainian culture and the Ukrainian Catholic Church alive by recognizing those who worked tirelessly to establish the foundation of what we enjoy today. We thank him for his input and ideas, support and participation in the Museum community. He was always there to encourage and keep us focused. We look forward to his continued support as he makes his home in Ituna, Saskatchewan.

*The Board of Directors, Members, Staff, Volunteers
and Benefactors of
Musée Ukraina Museum Inc.
Offer prayerful congratulations to the
Very Reverend Bryan Joseph Bayda, CSsR
On the occasion of his Episcopal Ordination as
Bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of
Saskatoon
God grant him many years!
Na Mnohaya Lita, Vladyko! Axios!*



Musée Ukraina Museum Display at Saskatoon John G. Diefenbaker International Airport



Anyone departing from or meeting family or friends at the Saskatoon Airport this summer had the opportunity to check out the display featuring various Pysanky from the Victoria Buzinski collection. The Airport Authority was very pleased with the exhibit and has invited the Museum to prepare another display for 2009.

The display was made up of Pysanky (decorated eggs) from the Victoria Buzinski Collection which was donated to Musée Ukraina Museum. The Museum is very fortunate to be the protectors of such a fine collection. An open exhibition to the public was held on July 30, 2006 and Victoria was in attendance. Since the Museum's collections are now in storage awaiting a new home, the airport display was an excellent opportunity for us to share the collection with the public once more.

Victoria said that preserving her Ukrainian heritage has become a commitment that she shares with her family and her community. Her gift to the Museum is her way of inspiring and teaching the art of Pysanky writing - an ancient art form strongly connected to the Ukrainian heritage. Musée Ukraina Museum once again thanks Victoria for her generous donation.

Museum Receives Estate Bequest



The Museum recently received a cheque of \$5,000.00 from the estate of Mr. Nick Romanchuk (Mykola Romanczyk). Nick Romanchuk, a long time Museum supporter, passed away on Sunday December 16, 2007 at St. Paul's Hospital in Saskatoon.

Mr. Romanchuk was born August 21, 1921 in Perespa, Sokal district, Lviv, province of Western Ukraine. During the period of the Second World War, he, like many other Ukrainians, was forced to work as a laborer in Germany. Following the war he became a displaced person in a refugee camp. It was during this period that he became a student at the Ukrainian Peoples University in Munich, Germany. He eventually made his way to England where he was employed as an agricultural worker. Shortly after he made contact with his Uncle John Feschuk of Wakaw who would be his immigration sponsor which allowed Nick to come to Canada. Nick arrived in Halifax on January 17, 1949 and eventually made his way to the Sokal area around Wakaw. After a short stay in this area he became employed by the C.P.R. in Saskatoon. He eventually purchased farm land in the Langham area. Nick was a long standing member of St. George's Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral in Saskatoon where he sang in the Choir. Nick supported many Ukrainian organizations in Canada and Ukraine, especially the League of Ukrainian Canadians.

We encourage you to remember the Museum when you are preparing your will. Your bequest can be directed to any area within the Museum.

LEADING BY EXAMPLE: THE JOHN AND ANGELINE CHRUSCH ENDOWMENT FUND

Long time Board Member Angeline Chrusch and her husband John recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary in Saskatoon. Family and friends gathered on June 8, 2008 at St. George's Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral for the 5 pm Liturgy where a special blessing was bestowed upon them by Bishop Michael Wiwchar, CSSR. Following the Church service a celebratory banquet was held at St. George's Youth Center.

In lieu of gifts John and Angeline indicated on their invitations that donations may be made to Musée Ukraina Museum. It is from this act of kindness that the Museum received more than \$5,000.00 in generous donations.

The Board of Directors would like to express its heartfelt thank you to the many friends and family members who so generously donated to the Museum in honour of John and Angeline's 50th Wedding Anniversary - truly acknowledging the dedicated leadership and work that John and Angeline have given and continue to give to the Museum and the Ukrainian community.



The Executive of the Museum Board of Directors have directed these funds toward the establishment of the John and Angeline Chrusch Endowment Fund as a fitting tribute for their dedicated countless volunteer hours and leadership that they have demonstrated within the Museum community. Having received the consent of John and Angeline towards the establishment of this fund, the interest will be used to support the ongoing operational requirements of the Museum.

The John and Angeline Chrusch Endowment Fund becomes the fourth Endowment Fund established to support the Museum during this period of planning for the future. The other three funds are the Dr. Stephen and Michelene Worobetz Fund (\$151,000.00); the Morris and Anna Korpan Fund (\$25,288.00) and the Bishop Michael Wiwchar Fund (\$5,000.00).

If you or your family would like to establish an Endowment Fund or contribute to any of the above funds please contact any of the Museum's Board of Directors.

Calendar Lottery Update

The 2008 Calendar Lottery Calendar was a very successful fund raising project with the proceeds going to the operational costs of the Museum. There are still expenses to cover with our artifacts and collections in storage. Please watch for the 2009 Calendar which will be available shortly. We will be acknowledging Saskatchewan based Ukrainian artists and artisans. Please consider giving the calendars as Christmas gifts and supporting the Museum at the same time.

We extend our sympathies to the families of Fred Hryniuk and Jessie Shewchuk. Fred Hryniuk was featured on the November 2008 page. He passed away on July 3, 2008 at the age of 100 years. Jessie Shewchuk was the May 2008 Centenarian. She went to her eternal resting place on May 16, 2008, just 3 days short of being 101 years old. Thank you to their families for their co-operation and assistance. May Fred and Jessie rest in peace and enjoy their eternal reward.

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Note: Included with this newsletter as an insert, is a categorized list of donations and pledges to the Eparchial Campaign for a New Museum Building during the launch of the Campaign on October 14, 2007 to September 19, 2008. We would like to thank all donors for their donations prior to the Campaign. Please notify us of any errors or omissions (306-260-9119).

Behind the scenes

We wish to express our thanks to **Maighan Grant** and **Terry Mialkowski** for their assistance. Maighan has shown a desire to retain her roots and promote her heritage by helping the Museum with several projects such as the web page and the 2008 Gala. Terry also supports the Museum by making time in his busy schedule in Regina to produce the newsletters on demand. Thank you both for making these projects a success and we look forward to your continued support.

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