

**UKRAINIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
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CHRIST IS RISEN!

INDEED HE IS RISEN!

With the celebration of the joyous Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, we greet all of you and wish you good health, happiness, and God's Blessings in all that you do.

1. We heartily congratulate Geraldine Nakonechny, UWAC Provincial President for Alberta, on the receipt of the Order of Canada. We recognize and appreciate all the work she has done for our Ukrainian effort, as well as for her fellow Canadians in general. We wish her good health, and much success in all future endeavors.
2. We are once again inviting all convenors to submit any news, articles of interest, information to share, activities, etc. to our journal, Promin, or to us at the National Office. We will include these in our newsletter and on our website. It is our hope and wish that this sharing will bring us closer together, and would be both helpful and inspirational for all.
3. Inventory: Again, we encourage all members and branches to keep our inventory in mind when planning gift or award items. We especially encourage you to consider the publications for children in the list of inventory items.
4. As was written in the last newsletter, we encourage all branches to request a chaplain for their branch. Many branches have fulfilled this recommendation and we congratulate them for this step. Having this Spiritual Advisor would give us the benefit of advice and help when we need it, as well as result in closer ties with our Church.
5. World Federation of Ukrainian Women's Organizations:
For the past seven years our UWAC is a member of the WFUWO. All the Ukrainian women's organizations in the world are now members of this Organization, and as such are a part of the work they carry out. Any branch that is not familiar with what they do should contact our office for information. Orysia Sushko is our representative to WFUWO, and will be attending the Annual Meeting which will be held in Toronto in the fall.

The IX Congress of the WFUWO will be held in Kyiv on August 20 - 22, 2008. Due to the high costs we will be unable to send a delegate.

At the last WFUWO Congress it was adopted that each member organization would endeavor to donate some money to WFUWO to assist them in carrying out the work that they do. They have reminded us that UWAC has not yet carried out this obligation. We are asking each branch to send their donation to our National Office. We will then total the amount donated, and send it to WFUWO. If your branch holds a special fund-raiser for this project, please let us know what it was and when it took place. We thank you in advance for your consideration.

Please send your donations to us by June 30, 2008 so that we could send it to WFUWO early in September.

6. Assistance for Ukraine:

We congratulate and thank all the branches for their assistance to our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. This humanitarian aid is very necessary, and much appreciated. I also thank you for listing your efforts in your anketa. Ukrainian Social Services asks our office for a report of UWAC aid to Ukraine, and your report to us helps us fulfill this request.

On behalf of Social Services of Ukraine, the World Council of Ukrainian Social Services is appealing to all organizations for donations to assist SS of U in carrying on their work with their many branches. They have a small budget, only \$10,000, but their needs are many, therefore any amount we could send them would be greatly appreciated. Again, I ask you to send your donations to our National Office and we will send the total monies donated to SS of U. Please send these donations to us by June 15, 2008 so that we can send it to SS of U by June 30.

7. Ukrainian Canadian Congress:

*10 for 10 Fundraising Campaign

Goal:

1. To raise funds for Canadian Holodomor Awareness initiatives in 2008

Coordinated by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress.

2. To establish a permanent Holodomor Education Fund which will support ongoing educational initiatives.

Theme: \$10 in memory of 10 million

Donations will be accepted in all Ukrainian Credit Unions throughout Canada.

All donations should be made to the **UCC Holodomor Awareness Fund**.

Donations can also be sent directly to the **Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Suite 647, 167 Lombard Ave., Winnipeg, MB R3B 0V3**. Cheques should be made payable to: UCC Charitable & Educational Trust - Holodomor Awareness Fund.

Timeline: April 1 - June 30, 2008

Donations of: \$10 will receive a commemorative pin.

\$25 or more can also receive a receipt.

\$ 250 or more will be entitled to designate their donation for a specific project.

8. St. Petro Mohyla Institute:

St. Petro Mohyla Institute is in the process of accumulating a high school student database and more specifically a Ukrainian Orthodox student database. This data base would be used as a source of contacts to promote the benefits of staying at Mohyla Institute during post-secondary studies in Saskatoon. In addition to high school students, they wish to accumulate a list of elementary students as well.

A secondary use of this database will be to promote their Ukrainian Language and Cultural Immersion Camp (Dzherelo) to Orthodox families and to families of other denominations who might be interested in the Immersion program.

-Please provide us with a list of names and addresses of grade 12 Ukrainian Orthodox students in your parishes.

- Please provide us with a list of all other Ukrainian Orthodox students, their ages and addresses.

This information may be e-mailed to: mohyla@sasktel.net

Or

phoned to: 306 653 1944

Or

mailed to: Mohyla Institute

1240 Temperance St., Saskatoon, SK S7N 0P1

You cooperation in this worthwhile project is deeply appreciated.

We take this opportunity to wish each of you, along with your families, an enjoyable and restful summer holiday. May the weather stay nice, the sun shine warmly, gentle rains come when we need them, so that everyone can enjoy great times with family and friends. Our wish for good health, and a safe summer goes out to all.

God Bless!

Zennia Yuzik

President UWAC