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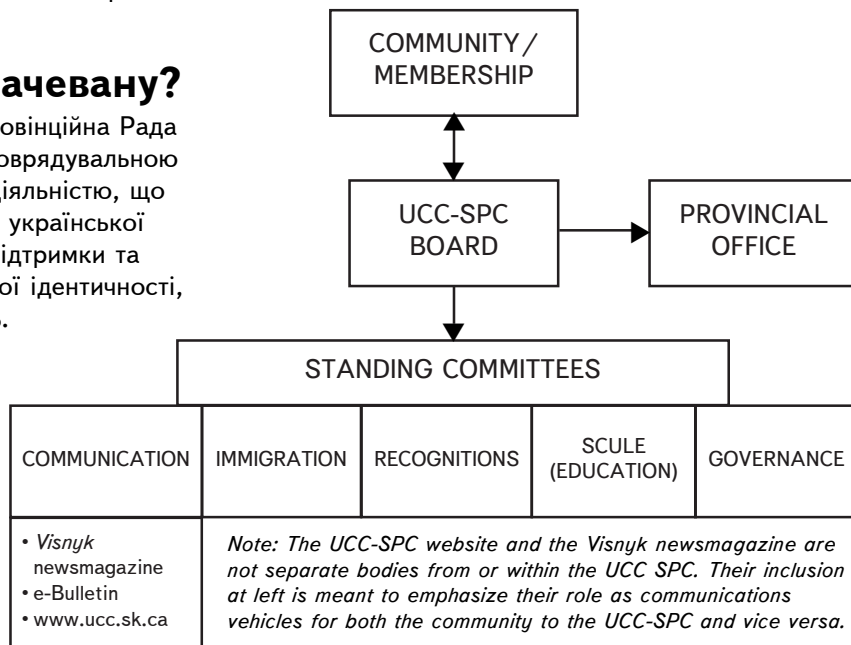


Who is the UCC-SPC

The Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Saskatchewan Provincial Council, Inc is an inclusive, self-sustaining, vibrant organization that serves the Saskatchewan Ukrainian community to maintain, develop and share its Ukrainian Canadian identity, culture and aspirations.

Хто є ПР КУК Саскачевану?

Конгрес Українців Канади – Провінційна Рада Саскачевану є динамічною, самоврядувальною організацією з багатогранною діяльністю, що обслуговує і працює на користь української громади Саскачевану з метою підтримки та розвитку її українсько-канадської ідентичності, культури, громадських прагнень.



UCC-SPC Membership

UCC-SPC consists of organizational members. Members derive benefit by having access to the services provided by the office, the UCC-SPC databases, the Resource Centre and programs. As the UCC-SPC is only the sum of its parts, the relationship is mutually beneficial. UCC-SPC estimates that over 14,000 members of Saskatchewan's 125,000-plus Ukrainian Canadians participate in the organizations that are represented by the UCC-SPC. Tens of thousand of others participate through informal and less structured groups that encompass dance, education, culture, heritage, seniors clubs and church organizations or as members of the general public enjoying the benefits of the Ukrainian contribution to the developing Saskatchewan cultural scene.

UCC-SPC organizational relationships

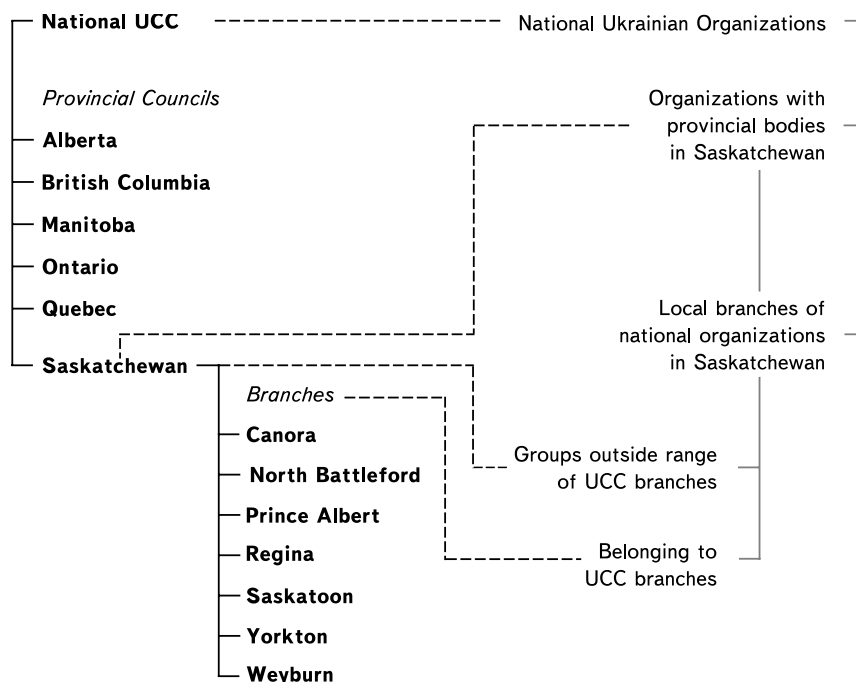


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as of December 31, 2009

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

СЛАВА ІСУСУ ХРИСТУ!

2009 was a year of struggling in our economy, but by the end of the year, there were some signs that a recovery was underway; however, it was difficult for those who lost their jobs to appreciate that things were improving. It was a funny year for farmers, starting off slow and cool, but with the end result being that September was great and crops were not bad on average.

A long, cold winter grudgingly gave way to summer. Early in the year, UCC-SPC held its annual general meeting, including the election of a new board. I will continue as President. There are some new faces on the board and former members who are now in new positions. It's a good group of people, diverse and from most parts of the province, where we have large Ukrainian communities.

The Saskatchewan Ukraine Relations Advisory Committee was announced by the Government of Saskatchewan. The Committee is chaired by Gerald Luciuk of Regina. Meetings were held in Regina, Saskatoon and Yorkton. The committee reports to the Deputy Premier and other ministers of the government.

One of the new priorities of UCC-SPC will be its focus on Ukrainian Dance in Saskatchewan. This logical move will ensure that we are in step with the thousands of youth and their parents who participate in this very visible aspect of our culture. The "Let's Talk Ukrainian Dance Roundtable," which took place in Saskatoon on March 14, was a good start with representation from around the province. The challenge UCC-SPC will face is to put the recommendations of this roundtable into being during 2010.

Immigration continues also as a priority and we are thankful to our Government for their continued support of our efforts in that regard. UCC-SPC representatives, along with Saskatoon and Regina Branch members, attended the annual meeting and associated workshops of Saskatchewan Association of Immigrant and Settlement Agencies as we try to work in an organized collaborative way with other agencies.

On September 23 I was pleased to attend a special dinner hosted by UCC-SPC in Regina. This dinner was organized in order to provide His Excellency Ihor Ostash, Ukraine's Ambassador to Canada, the opportunity to formally present to Deputy Premier Ken Krawetz Ukraine's Order of Prince Yaroslav the Wise, Level V and to present to UCC-SPC board members Eugene Krenosky and Orest Warnyca Ukraine's Medal for Meritorious Work and Achievement. The dinner was wonderful and was attended not only by the

Ambassador, but also the Honourable Dr. Gordon L. Barnhart, Saskatchewan's Lieutenant Governor, Premier Brad Wall, numerous cabinet ministers, representatives of our Ukrainian churches and a large turnout from our Ukrainian community from across the province. The evening was capped off by wonderful performances by the Lastiwka Ukrainian Orthodox Youth Choir and Orchestra of Saskatoon and Kolos Ukrainian Dance Ensemble from Regina.



UCC-SPC President Ed Lysyk and UCC Regina Vice-President Orest Gawdyda (right) met with Canada's Ambassador to Ukraine, His Excellency Daniel Caron in March 2009 at the Saskatchewan Legislature. Caron was in Saskatchewan as part of a cross-Canada tour to meet with provincial governments, groups and agencies to introduce himself following his July 2008 appointment as Canadian Ambassador to Ukraine.

During September I also witnessed the re-signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the State University of Oil and Gas in Ivano-Frankivsk and the University of Regina. The MOU deals with, among other things, a student exchange program between the two Universities that is now in its 10th year and will now be assured for a further five years.

During the year I also made two presentations regarding the Ukrainian community, one being to a class of the First Nation's University and one to a class of policemen attending a Saskatchewan Police Commission course.

One of UCC-SPC's ongoing projects is its Community Development Fund and in 2009 it again distributed its full budgeted amount. Ongoing fundraising will be needed to keep this popular funding project going.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Lysyk



ВІД СТОЛУ ВИКОНАВЧОГО ДИРЕКТОРА EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve as the Executive Director of UCC-SPC for another year. Every day brings with it a new set of challenges but also even greater

rewards. The organization continues to grow, change and diversify, guided by its mandate and the principles of community representation and service.

A highlight of 2009 was certainly the "Let's Talk about Ukrainian Dance" community roundtable held in March. Ukrainian dance is a very active and visible piece of our community's fabric. Hundreds of children, youth and adults alike are engaged in this colourful and dynamic form of cultural expression—be it as dancers or as volunteers. The commitment of those present to seeing our dancers grow and develop was impressive. From the dialogue initiated, it became clear that UCC-SPC needs to play a stronger leadership and supporting role to our dance community. The UCC-SPC has made this a priority for the organization and in 2010 we can expect to see the next steps taken.

On the immigration settlement services front, UCC-SPC was successful in its grant application to establish a Translation and Interpretation Services program. The program's chief objectives are: to provide accessible translation and interpretation services in communities across Saskatchewan; develop a province-wide pool of qualified translators and interpreters; provide translation support to Ukrainian newcomers for drivers licence testing and expand this support outside Saskatoon and Regina; and promote greater appreciation of translation-interpretation services in facilitating newcomers integration in the workplace and community. In August, George Zerebecky was hired as part-time Program Coordinator. Demand for these services has been great, indeed. Over 110 clients requiring a wide variety of translation and interpretation work were served in the August to December time period alone.

Lending support to Ukraine's independent, united and democratic development is one of UCC-SPC's objectives. A new avenue for promoting relations with Ukraine was created through an initiative called the Saskatchewan-Ukraine Network. Under the auspices of UCC-SPC, SUN will work to further Saskatchewan-Ukraine relations through enhanced communications, support, collaboration and synergy by means of a network of organizations, institutions and associations. A planning committee consisting Laurel O'Connor (International Research Office, University of Saskatchewan); Dr Natalia Shostak (Prairie Centre for the Study of Ukrainian Heritage, St Thomas More College); Grant

Wood (College of Agriculture and Bioresources), Angie Wojcichowsky (Saskatchewan Trade and Export Partnership) and myself organized its founding roundtable in November. The meeting saw nearly 30 participants who expressed their support for such a network.

A low point occurred in the Fall when the Government of Saskatchewan eliminated the Ukrainian Education Consultant position within the Ministry of Education. For more than 30 years, Saskatchewan's Ukrainian and other multicultural education programs were supported by dedicated Ministry consultants. At a time when our province is seeing significant numbers of immigrant newcomers, a great number of which are from Ukraine, the Government's decision is difficult to comprehend. As a result, all the taxpayers who have enrolled their children in Ukrainian and other language programs no longer have the important support within the Ministry of Education these programs and their teachers need. More than three decades of investment in building welcoming cultural and educational communities is now being quietly dismantled with no plan in place to provide crucial curriculum and developmental supports. UCC-SPC will continue to work for the re-establishment of these supports!

Finally, heartfelt thanks are extended to the UCC-SPC staff. They are: Ihor Kodak, Audrey Langhorst (Sept-Dec), Serhij Koroliuk, Valentyna Mahina (to Sept '09), Matthew Nykiforuk (Nov-Dec) and George Zerebecky. This is a very dedicated team whose efforts made the job of serving our community much easier. Additionally, I express my gratitude to the UCC-SPC Board of Directors for its ongoing guidance, support, trust and service. My sincere appreciation goes out to all the volunteers who give so much of their time to maintaining, developing and sharing our Ukrainian Canadian culture. Finally, I want to thank our funders and donors. Your faith in the work we do enables us to better serve our community.

Danylo Puderak

**UCC-SPC member organizations
offer over 1,000 different kinds of
programs, activities and services
on an annual basis.**

— information collected via UCC-SPC's
2009 Community Member Updates

Making a Cultural Impact

“Let’s Talk Ukrainian Dance” is UCC-SPC’s exciting new initiative to support the dance community in Saskatchewan

On Saturday 14 March, the UCC-SPC played host to a community roundtable discussion on the future of Ukrainian dance in Saskatchewan.

The roundtable initiated a dialogue with representatives of Saskatchewan’s Ukrainian dance community in order to recognize the issues and challenges they face on a daily basis. Some of these include:

- acquiring new costumes
- finding qualified dance instructors, particularly in smaller communities
- fundraising
- sourcing music and other relevant resources
- professional development opportunities
- identifying festival adjudicators

Ultimately, participants wanted to explore means of supporting and assisting the community while identifying potential roles for UCC-SPC.

Ukrainian dance is a very active and visible piece of our community, which engages a large number of youth, volunteers and paid staff. The gathering took place at St George’s Senior Citizens Centre in Saskatoon.

SESSION 1

A History of Supporting Ukrainian Dance

The day began with UCC-SPC President Ed Lysyk welcoming to the roundtable the more than 40 participants representing dance groups and ensembles from across the province. Lysyk thanked them for the important contributions they make to our community’s cultural development. The day’s moderator, Danylo Puderak, then introduced the first session’s presenters.

Bohdan Zerebecky, a teacher at Bishop Filevich Ukrainian Bilingual School, provided an historical overview of UCC-SPC’s involvement in supporting Ukrainian dance. His presentation focused on the 1980s



when he worked as the UCC-SPC’s Ukrainian Dance Consultant. During that time a number of major provincial dance-related initiatives were undertaken:

■ **The Ukrainian Dance Festival** — “a competitive forum for Ukrainian dancers, designed to increase awareness of the creative work of other groups in the province and provide some guidelines for future development” — held in 1979 and 1980.

■ **Kaleidoscope** — a biannual showcase that involved some of the province’s best Ukrainian dancers. It consisted of a series of weekend workshops where dancers learned new choreography, steps and techniques while preparing for a major concert at Saskatoon’s Centennial Auditorium. Kaleidoscope began in 1982 and was held in 1984, 1986, 1988 and 1990.

■ **SaskTanets** — a strategic planning and community consultation process undertaken in 1984, resulted in the establishment of the *SaskTanets* newsletter which later became *Visnyk*.

■ **4-volume Ukrainian Dance Resource series** — this important resource provides a history of Ukrainian dance in Canada, cultural and regional dance information, basic steps as well as cassettes with relevant music.

Educator Jim Kowalski from Macklin completed session one with a presentation on the **Artist-in-Residence (Ukrainian Dance)** program that UCC-SPC coordinated in the Battlefords (1986-87) and Prince Albert (1987-88). Kowalski was hired as the artist-in-residence for the Battlefords. Jim began with an explanation about how Ukrainian dance became his initial connection to his Ukrainian cultural identity. He grew up in a non-Ukrainian community. It wasn’t until he turned 16 and got his driver’s licence that he was able to fulfill his dream of becoming a Ukrainian dancer. Dancing took him far both personally and professionally, including a 5-year stint with UCC-SPC as Artist in Residence and Cultural Consultant.



The annual economic impact of Saskatchewan's Ukrainian dance community on the provincial economy is conservatively estimated to be more than \$1,470,000.

— information collected via UCC-SPC's
2009 Community Member Updates

As Artist in Residence he worked with a number of groups in and around the Battlefords including Svoboda Dancers (North Battleford), Hafford Cheremka, Blaine Lake, Lloydminster Malanka and Kindersley. His role was to assist them in any way they saw fit. He also did workshops, choreography and acted as a resource person for costuming, music, etc.

There was initially some resentment from some of the groups as they felt he was there to "fix" them. This quickly changed as the groups embraced his presence and took advantage of the skills and knowledge he brought. Jim worked with the local recreation department and offered an adult dance class. He also organized a number of Ukrainian-themed programs on the local cable television station to promote Ukrainian-Canadian culture. This also saw him go into schools to do workshops on culture and dance, even visiting a dance school in Unity that did not offer Ukrainian dance, to expose local kids to Ukrainian dance. The Artist-in-Residence position was funded through a grant from the Canada Council.

SESSION 2

Why Ukrainian Dance? The Dancer's Perspective
Following a short break, it was the dancers' turn. Chris Daviduk of Saskatoon (Pavlychenko Folklorique

Ensemble) and Taisa Trischuk of Yorkton (Troyanda Ukrainian Dance Ensemble) shared their thoughts, experiences and advice on what it takes to involve and keep young dancers as well as the realities of attracting dancer instructors.

For young dancers, it's about fun, exploring culture, finding personal fulfillment and having opportunities to grow as dancers. Both Taisa and Chris also taught dancing, but the time and other commitments of being university students and dancers made it very difficult to also teach, especially when out-of-town travel was involved. Teacher training was an area both agreed required more support as did additional cultural training (regional dance steps, music, costuming requirements).

Participants appreciated both presentations, which provided additional insight and understanding. Chris' and Taisa's comments would be referred to numerous times during the day in the small-group discussions.

SESSION 3

Funding Opportunities in Support of Ukrainian Dance Activities

Danylo Puderak then took participants through a number of the granting opportunities that are currently available to Saskatchewan Ukrainian dance groups, clubs and ensembles. The main funding agencies are:

- **SaskCulture** (Multicultural Initiatives Fund; Capacity Building Grant)
- **Saskatchewan Arts Board** (Culture on the Go, Touring and Marketing Access; Sask Festivals Grant; Travel Grants);
- **Shevchenko Foundation**
- **UCC-SPC** (Community Development Fund)

Information on these grants is available through UCC-SPC or on the websites of the granting agencies.

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Saskatchewan-Ukraine Relations Advisory Committee Mandate Extended, UCC-SPC Annual General Meeting Elects Board for 2009-2011

The UCC-SPC held its 2009 Annual General Meeting and Board Elections after the lunch break at the Let's Talk Ukrainian Dance Roundtable.

Prior to the meeting, delegates and guests from around the province, including the communities of Canora, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon, Weyburn, and Yorkton, had the opportunity to hear a few words from Deputy Cabinet Secretary and Clerk of the Executive Council Fredrick Mantey on behalf of the provincial government.

In 1993, the Government of Saskatchewan established the Saskatchewan-Ukraine Advisory Committee to help identify ways of strengthening and ex-

panding partnerships and ties with Ukraine for mutual benefit.

"That committee for us has provided very solid work for the last 16 years and I'm very pleased to indicate that last week Cabinet extended that mandate and that advisory committee for another three years until 2012," said Mantey.

He expressed gratitude to the Ukrainian community for ensuring that this issue was "on



Guest speaker Deputy Cabinet Secretary Rick Mantey brought news about the Advisory Committee

the radar screen at the beginning of the mandate.

"The Deputy Premier [Hon. Ken Krawetz] has been assigned by Premier [Brad] Wall as the lead Minister on Saskatchewan-Ukraine affairs and I have been asked by the Premier to be at the Deputy Minister level supporting the Deputy Premier in that regard," explained Mantey.

The Advisory Committee reports through Mr. Mantey's office at the Deputy Minister level. This way, the committee gets the ideas to government in a very clear and concise manner in support with UCC, said Mantey, "to ensure that we are building a stronger Saskatchewan and that we are building a stronger Ukraine."

"The work that will be done by this committee will allow us to strengthen business opportunities and cultural ties that promote understanding and awareness in both countries, as well as maintain and enhance the work around student exchanges in high school and at the post secondary levels."

— Deputy Premier and Education Minister
Ken Krawetz

The membership of the committee was subsequently announced on March 26 (please see sidebar).

Mr. Mantey indicated that the membership is regionally balanced to bring forward concepts that would help strengthen Saskatchewan's relationship with Ukraine. He also stated that the Hon. Ken Krawetz wants youth exchanges. The Minister feels this kind of dialogue is critically important.

"I'm very pleased that the UCC-SPC is strong and vibrant and provides a very good relationship and I look forward to my meetings with Danylo and Ed," said Mantey.

UCC-SPC meets quarterly with Mantey and on a regular basis with him and Minister Ken Krawetz.

"We want to continue to do that," said Mantey. "That's so that we can move forward on a number of issues that we have as a community. And I think that's the beginning of a very good working relationship."

UCC-SPC President Ed Lysyk then presented his report. He reiterated how in 2008 the board continued to establish strong working relations with the newly elected provincial government.

"We have regularly scheduled meetings with senior government officials in the civil service," said Lysyk. "In addition UCC-SPC has met with [Deputy Premier and Minister of Education] Hon. Ken Krawetz and Hon. Rob Norris, Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour, which includes the Immigration Branch."

Saskatchewan-Ukraine Relations Advisory Committee Members

On March 26, 2009, Deputy Premier and Education Minister Ken Krawetz and Provincial Secretary Wayne Elhard announced the appointment of ten Saskatchewan representatives to the Saskatchewan-Ukraine Relations Advisory Committee:

- Gerald Luciuk (Regina)
- Nadia Prokopchuk (Saskatoon)
- Dr. Natalia Khanenko-Friesen (Saskatoon)
- David Dutchak (Saskatoon)
- Gerald Seniuk (Regina)
- MaryAnn Trischuk (Yorkton)
- Edward Lysyk (Regina)
- Alicia Klopoushak (Saskatoon)
- James Shevchuk (North Battleford)
- Fredrick D. Mantey (Regina)

The community-based committee, originally created in 1993, will provide advice on government and private sector activities in Saskatchewan and Ukraine to strengthen the civil society of Ukraine. They will also monitor and make recommendations on the progress of the 1995 Saskatchewan-Ukraine Memorandum of Co-operation. The committee's term runs until February 24, 2012.

Office of the Provincial Secretary

The AGM's final order of business was the election of a new board for 2009-2011. Changes to note: Larry Balion of Saskatoon moves from Director at Large to assume the position of Treasurer; joining the board

are Vera Feduschak of Regina as Secretary and MaryAnn Trischuk of Yorkton as a Director at Large.



New UCC-SPC Board members Vera Feduschak and MaryAnn Trischuk

UCC-SPC Executive and Directors at Large for 2009-2011

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AFTERNOON SESSIONS

- Stage Left — Identifying Needs
- Stage Right — Celebrating Successes
- Bright Lights, Big Dreams
- Moving Forward

During the afternoon, the microphones were turned over to the participants. Three small-group sessions facilitated by Slawko Kindrachuk and Orest Gawdyda focused on three areas:

- identifying needs and challenges;
- highlighting on-going and recent successes
- developing a wish-list of initiatives, projects and opportunities for collaboration and cooperation.

The day culminated with everyone coming together to hear the comments, ideas and feedback of the groups.



Over 2,000 people, mostly under the age of 19, participate in the Ukrainian dance community in Saskatchewan.

— information collected via UCC-SPC's 2009 Community Member Updates



PHOTO: JUDY-ANNE CHABUN

One of 42 groups in 28 municipalities, the Leleka Ukrainian Dance Ensemble (est. in Saskatoon in 2008) has 27 members.

SO WHAT DID THEY SAY?

A lot, actually, and it was expressed with much enthusiasm and anticipation.

The main message was that our Ukrainian dance community wants to move forward and is looking to UCC-SPC to play a facilitation and leadership role. More specifically, participants were looking for

- the tools and means to better operate their organizations (workshops on governance, fundraising),
- methods for dancers and instructors to access further learning/training opportunities (dance camps, workshops, Train-the-Trainer);
- accessible resource information about dance instructors, costuming, music and festival/competition adjudicators (database, resource people, web-based information)
- visible initiatives which promote Ukrainian dance such as Kaleidoscope and SaskTanets.

They also said very strongly that UCC-SPC needed to step up and play a greater role in facilitating communication between the stakeholders through regular forums, meetings and workshops.

The full report on the Let's Talk Ukrainian Dance will be sent out to the dance groups later this summer. The Board of UCC-SPC has committed to making support for the dance community a priority and we can expect to see the next steps taken over the coming months.

UCC-SPC wishes to express its sincere appreciation to all the participants and presenters of the Let's Talk Ukrainian Dance roundtable consultation. Your contributions were realistic, pointed and relevant and your enthusiasm infectious and inspiring. Special thanks go out to UCC-SPC staff Valentyna Mahina and Ihor Kodak as well as Cathy Schabel and Alla Mahina for their support during the day.

REPORT ON UCC-SPC ACTIVITIES FOR 2009

15th Annual Nation Builders & Community Recognition Awards

ucc.sk.ca/programs/NBA.htm

The achievements and contributions of ten Canadians with ties to Saskatchewan were recognized by some 240 friends, family and guests at the Delta Bessborough Hotel in Saskatoon on November 1.

UCC-SPC's recognition event, the Nation Builders & Community Recognition Awards luncheon, has been held in centres around the province every year since 1995.

NATION BUILDER AWARDS

for providing outstanding service without reward or gain and having made a lasting impact regionally, nationally and/or internationally

- **DR. TONY EDWARD HARRAS** (Regina)
- **CHIEF JUDGE GERALD TERRY GEORGE SENIUK**, retired (Saskatoon)
- **OREST WARNYCA** (Regina)

COMMUNITY RECOGNITION AWARDS

for meritorious contributions in the areas of Cultural Preservation & Development, Leadership, Volunteerism, Creativity & Innovation and Youth Achievement

Creativity & Innovation/Leadership

- **MICHAEL DUTCHAK** (Blaine Lake-Saskatoon)

Cultural Preservation & Development

- **STAN HAWRYLIW** (Edam-Saskatoon)
- **ALBERT KACHKOWSKI** (Dauphin, MB-Saskatoon)
- **CATHERINE WOLOSCHUK** (Wroxton-Yorkton)

Leadership/Volunteerism

- **PAUL BUNKA** (Saskatoon)
- **GLEN TYMIAK** (Tadmore-Yorkton)

Youth Achievement

- **CARISSA KLOPOUSHAK** (Saskatoon)



Awards recipients and dignitaries. Standing with the Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, His Honour the Honourable Dr. Gordon Barnhart (third from right): Chief Judge Gerald T.G. Seniuk, Dr. Tony Harras, Albert Kachkowski, Stan Hawryliw, Paul Bunka. Seated: Orest Warnyca, Glen Tymiak, Alicia Klopoushak (for daughter Clarissa Klopoushak), Catherine Woloschuk, Gail St. Onge & David Dutchak (for father Michael Dutchak).

LAURA WOROBETZ

This year, organizers were pleased to host the following dignitaries:

- His Honour the Honourable Dr. Gordon Barnhart, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan;
- Jocelyn Schreimer, MLA for Saskatoon Sutherland on behalf of the Government of Saskatchewan;
- Mayor Don Atchison from the City of Saskatoon;
- His Excellency Most Reverend Bishop Bryan Bayda, Ukrainian Catholic Eparch of Saskatoon.

In his official greetings, the Lieutenant Governor offered personal congratulations to the honourees.

“This prestigious Award recognizes your outstanding contributions to the people of Saskatchewan,” he said. “Thank you for your commitment to excellence and to public service.”

Departed Nation Builders

September 2009

Katherine Labiuk (recipient in 2002)

November 2009

Murray Senkus (recipient in 2001)

volunteer committee & support

Recognitions: Eugene Krenosky (Regina), Marie Kishchuk (Saskatoon), Pat Marchinko (Canora), Ollie Marciniuk (Hafford), John Rozdilsky (Saskatoon), Steve Senyk (Regina), MaryAnn Trischuk (Yorkton)

Saskatoon sub-committee: Audrey Langhorst, Christine Chayka, Cecilia Kachkowski

Thank you: Sylvia Baran, Justin Dzialo, Boris & Marie Kishchuk, Christine Poilievre, Catherine Schabel, Taisa Trischuk, Aubree Worobetz, Tyson Woynarski, Laura Worobetz

Immigration

ucc.sk.ca/programs/Immigration.htm

Immigration Settlement Coordination Program

As the year goes by, we stop for a moment and take a good look at the whole picture. Sometimes we are surprised by what we see: “Wow, this year looks like a fun ride on a steep hill! Yahoo!” Sometimes we are disappointed: “Well, this picture looks incomplete, I didn’t finish what I’ve started.” Then, of course, we analyze, make adjustments and take off for another spin. Looking at the picture of recent Ukrainian immigration to Saskatchewan, one could name it “The long and winding road.”

The majority of Ukrainians come to Canada these days under the federal or provincial programs as skilled workers. What does this mean? If there is a need for certain work in Saskatchewan and not enough skilled or interested Canadians who will perform this work, the provincial and/or federal government will allow employers to bring a foreign worker to do the job. The economic boom and shortfall of tradespeople was the main rationale for this wave of immigration.

But what happens if the economy slows down? Let’s take a look at provincial statistics of Ukrainian nominees and their family members for the past 5 years:

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Principal Applicants	51	125	130	262	199
Spouses & Children	71	200	233	439	371
Total	122	325	363	701	570

The formula is simple: when the economy is booming, immigration rises; when the economy slows down, immigration declines.

The questions below are commonly asked by clients and newcomers seeking answers to everyday issues:

Q: What happens to the foreign workers if there are lay-offs at the workplace?

A: Usually, foreign workers are the first to go. Service Canada policy states: “At no time should a foreign worker displace a similarly qualified Canadian citizen.” Immigrants who lose their jobs are expected to find a new one or go back home. After their work permit expires, they must leave Canada or the Canadian Border Services Agency will deport them.

Q: How long does it take to get a new work permit if they happen to find a new employer?

A: The Citizenship and Immigration Canada website indicates 26 business days (February 2010), but, in fact, it usually takes about two months.

Q: If the laid-off worker has found a new employer, but still has to wait for two months to get a new work permit, how do he and his family survive during this time in a new country?

A: This obviously creates a serious challenge and financial hardship for the entire family.

- Q: What about immigrant children and child benefits?
- A: Even though the parents work and pay taxes, they receive no child benefits until they become permanent residents or live here for longer than 18 months.
- Q: Can foreign workers get another job in order to make more money to pay their loans in Ukraine and moving expenses?
- A: No. Foreign workers can work for only one employer, as indicated on their work permit.
- Q: How long does it take to get permanent resident status so that the workers can decide where and how much they work?
- A: First, four to five months through the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program. This is followed by either eight to ten months at the Canadian visa office in Buffalo, USA, or up to two years through the Canadian Embassy in Kyiv, Ukraine. Applications have to be processed outside of Canadian borders!

So, the next time you come across a spontaneous and ill-informed pseudo-patriotic e-mail or comment claiming “Immigrants are taking our jobs and/or taxpayers’ money”, you will know it is inaccurate.

On the bright side our Canadian society offers many positive benefits that attract all immigrants: i.e.,

In order to help address newcomers’ needs, UCC-SPC, in partnership with the provincial government, continues to provide settlement services across the province.

- UCC-SPC Provincial Immigration Settlement Coordinator as well as Settlement Coordinators for cities of Saskatoon and Regina
- EAL (English as an Additional Language) courses for Saskatoon and Regina. Newcomers from other locations can access EAL classes through the local regional collages.
- Driver Assistance Program
- Translation & Interpretation
- Settlement Resources (handbooks, workshops, bilingual website, series of articles “Things worth knowing” in the *Visnyk* magazine)
- Household Furnishing Programs on demand (Regina)

During the 2009-2010 seasons UCC-SPC, partnering with our local branches and/or with other settlement organizations, is organizing and coordinating a series of information sessions for Ukrainian immigrants and volunteers across the province. These sessions are taking place in: Battlefords, Yorkton, Estevan (partnering with Southeast Community Settlement Committee), and Humboldt (partnering with Prairie Innovation Enterprise Region).

stability, security, quality of life, healthy lifestyle, and the hospitality of real people (as compared to the coldness of government immigration policies).

Immigrants to Saskatchewan

Breakdown of categories	
Skilled worker	55%
Family member	30.9%
Student	3.8%
Truck driver	3.5%
Health professional	3.4%
Entrepreneur	3.3%

Let’s take a look at the federal statistics to find out how many Ukrainians in Saskatchewan received Permanent Resident status in Canada and how many Ukrainians have Temporary Resident status (meaning they work in Canada as temporary foreign workers), as compared to other nations:

Permanent Residents

	2005	2006	2007	2008
Philippines	130	209	723	1,158
China	250	280	310	402
United Kingdom	173	368	356	321
Germany	24	32	28	245
Ukraine	47	79	199	216

Temporary Residents

	2005	2006	2007	2008
Philippines	152	204	385	984
United States	354	345	445	483
Ukraine	37	102	273	422
United Kingdom	355	335	350	338
South Africa	292	278	259	288

With the economic crisis in Ukraine, a politically divided leadership and a slow and painful transition from the Soviet past, it looks like more Ukrainians will try to find a better place to live in other countries. From 52 million in 1993, Ukraine’s population fell to 46 million in 2008. Emigration is one of the main factors in this rapid drop.

As it has been for the last 110-plus years, Canada remains one of the most desirable destinations for Ukrainians. We remember those black-and-white pictures of Ukrainian pioneers—our ancestors—who came here with nothing but a dream, who ploughed rocky prairie fields, lived in mud-huts and developed this land into a beautiful and powerful country.

Today’s immigrants are different in many ways, especially in that they possess many skills and high levels of education. They come from different backgrounds and have different reasons for being here.

They don't dress in "kozuhky & choboty" (sheepskin coats and boots). They do speak a number of languages or dialects and have different opinions. Some of them have a hard time adapting to Canada while some of them have already become a part of our community. However, they still have one thing in common with our pioneers: They have a dream!



Ukrainian immigrants circa 1911

"We want to live an honest and free life and ensure a safe future for our children."

— skilled workers Serhii & Iryna Matushevskyyi of Warman are awaiting Permanent Resident Status



The Matushevskyy Family: Tetiana, Volodymyr, Serhii, Iryna

A sincere thank-you — щиро дякуємо!

To UCC-SPC Board members and volunteers for their support in organizing information sessions, and for sharing their knowledge with Ukrainian newcomers across the province:

- Paul Kardynal, Jim Shevchuk (Battlefords)
- Merle Maximiuk, Olga Klewchuk, Bernard Stephaniuk (Yorkton and area)
- Stan Ganczar (Weyburn, Estevan and area)

Newcomers learned about: Child Integration, Financial Planning, Child and Family Benefits, Legal Matters. They also received answers to many individual questions from presentations by school teachers, financial officers and accountants, lawyers, and police officers. Survey responses unanimously confirmed that these sessions were helpful and that there is a strong need for this kind of support.

Translation and Interpretation Services

The UCC-SPC had a very busy fall and winter providing translation and interpretations services for Ukrainian newcomers to Saskatchewan. During this time period 110 individual clients received translation and interpretation assistance. This resulted in over 160 different documents being translated and a number of hours of interpretation conducted.

Written translations of documents were fairly equally divided among academic records, birth and marriage certificates and driver's licences. More specifically, over 20 post-secondary diplomas were translated. These ranged from bachelor to specialist to masters categories in various academic fields and included a variety of supporting documents and certificates.

Almost 40 birth and marriage certificates were translated as well as approximately 20 driver's licences. Other documents included passports, right of ownership, records of employment, various declarations and

reference letters.

Interpretation activities occurred on 15 different occasions, assisting approximately 34 individuals.

Our challenge is to provide timely service to the many newcomers seeking translation and interpretation services. Towards this end we engage a number of capable translators who assist both in written translations and oral interpretations. Without their help we would not be able to meet the heavy demand for this service, and we appreciate their professionalism.

volunteer committee

Peter A. Abrametz (Prince Albert), Tony Harras (Regina), Paul Kardynal (North Battleford), Slawko Kindrachuk (Saskatoon), Olga Klewchuk (Yorkton), Ed Lysyk (ex officio)

UCC-SPC Community Development Fund

ucc.sk.ca/organization.htm#Funding

The objectives of the CDF are:

- to assist the continued development of a strong and dynamic Ukrainian community in Saskatchewan;
- to raise the organizational expertise of Ukrainian groups and individuals in Saskatchewan;
- to encourage cooperation and contact between Ukrainian and non-Ukrainian organizations, groups and individuals within Saskatchewan and beyond;
- to ensure opportunities for cultural, educational and community growth of Saskatchewan's Ukrainian population;
- to raise the profile of Saskatchewan's Ukrainian community in the province and the world thereby showcasing its richness and dynamism; and
- to serve as a vehicle for transferring lottery funds to the general public as the UCC-SPC's member funding mechanism.

CDF allows community groups, institutions and individuals the opportunity to have lottery dollars work for them in a manner best suited to their needs. For many a seemingly modest grant can be the catalyst for a remarkable amount of activity and for long-lasting results.

CDF criteria are broad so as to encourage new and innovative projects. The application and criteria were updated in 2007 to include funding opportunities for organizational development and capacity building projects.

CDF grants are open to Saskatchewan residents or groups, regardless of membership or association with the UCC-SPC. Funding requests are reviewed four times annually. Application deadlines are the first day of February, May, September and November.

Only uncompleted projects are eligible. Funds are released upon the successful completion of the project, submission of a final project financial statement and narrative written report. Reports are normally published in the *Visnyk* newsmagazine.

In recent years, the demand for CDF dollars has far exceeded available funds. In 2009, \$25,000 in grant support was allocated with requests of almost \$33,000. The budgets of these projects and activities totalled more than \$700,000. This represents only a small portion of the economic impact made by Saskatchewan's Ukrainian community.

On the following pages is a list of the 37 activities funded in 2009 by the Community Development Fund.

ARTS AND CULTURE

COSTUME ACQUISITION

Boyan Ukrainian Dance Assn Inc., Saskatoon....	375
<i>Boys Hutsul</i>	
Calder Yalenka Ukrainian Dance Club	750
<i>Volyn & Poltavski</i>	
Leleka Ukrainian Dance Ensemble, Saskatoon ...	350
<i>Beginner Transcarpathian</i>	
Lloydminster Ukrainian Cultural Association.....	375
<i>Hopak and Volyn</i>	
Tavria Ukrainian Folk Dance Ensemble, Regina ..	750
<i>Beginner Poltavsky</i>	
Willowbrook & District Veselka Ukrainian Dance Club	750



With 14 dancers 6-14 years of age, the Weyburn Ukrainian Dance Club tries to keep fees to a minimum to keep it affordable for all families in the community. This was the first year that instructors wanted to have the dancers attend a competition. The older group learned a Hutsul dance that they wanted to perform in competition and appropriate costumes were needed.

"Thank you so much to the UCC-SPC for their assistance with this project! The group did great at the Kolos Festival in May and looked the part. Our dancers are very excited about the upcoming season and can't wait to compete again this year."

— Lenore Evans, President



"Leleka Ukrainian Dance Ensemble is just two years old. In this short period we have performed at various concerts for young and old, from schools to seniors residences, and at weddings. We are trying to spread the beauty of Ukrainian culture and health and friendship in youth. We were excited to perform our new dance in our new Bukovynian costumes at a time when we really needed them."

— *Valentyna Matyushenko, Artistic Director*

DANCE

Hafford Cheremka Dancers	500
<i>Hafford Cheremka Dance Festival</i>	
Hafford Cheremka Dancers	250
<i>Dance Workshops</i>	
Svoboda Dance Festival, North Battleford	500
<i>Annual Dance Festival</i>	
Troyanda Ukrainian Dance Ensemble, Yorkton...	500
<i>Choreography Workshop</i>	
Vesna Festival, Saskatoon	500
<i>"Let's See You Dance Ukrainian Style"</i>	
Yorkton Kalyna Dance School	500
<i>Kalyna Ukrainian Dance Festival</i>	

The Yorkton Kalyna Dance School provides dance instruction to students ages 5-18 from September to May. Current membership is 51 families with a total of 97 members.

Each year the group attends two to three dance festivals outside of Yorkton, travelling to and performing at festivals in Regina, Saskatoon, North Battleford, Prince Albert, Brandon, Russell, Winnipeg, and St. Albert. The Kalyna Dancers have performed locally at various banquets, senior centres, weddings, community events, their Valentine Social and year-end spring concert showcasing dancers' accomplishments.

The Kalyna Festival hosted thirty different Ukrainian dance schools from Saskatchewan and Manitoba. Over 900 dancers participated in the competition. An estimated 1,500 people attended the 4-day event.

"We have great community support in the form of volunteers, in addition to our own dance families, assisting with the weekend. We have also received support from the business community by way of advertisements in our festival program.

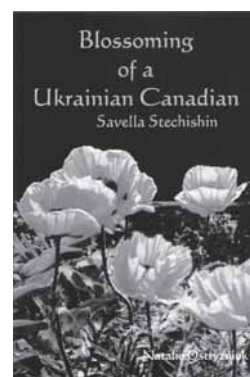
"UCC-SPC CDF has supported our festival from inception (2002). In 2004 we received the Community Merit award at Yorkton's Celebrate Success Awards."

— *Russ Thompson, Festival Committee*

PUBLICATIONS

Dormition of the Holy Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Parish, Saskatoon	500
<i>50th Anniversary of Parish book</i>	
Natalie Ostryzniuk, Regina	500
<i>"Blossoming of a Ukrainian Canadian: Savella Stechishin"</i>	

This 215-page biography of Savella Stechishin is about a pioneer woman with the determination to fulfil her vision. She played an important role in preserving and sharing Ukrainian folk art and cuisine. She was successful in teaching women the modern techniques of household science and encouraging them to strive for higher education for themselves as well as their children. An activist, journalist and social reformer, she was an important contributor to society both in Saskatchewan and the rest of Canada.



WORKSHOPS & OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Foam Lake Veselka Festival	750
<i>School out-reach program (bandura, pysanka)</i>	
Holosy Choir, Saskatoon	250
<i>Ivana Kupala Music workshop</i>	
UCC Saskatoon Branch/ Ukraine Day in the Park	1,000
<i>Cultural Enrichment, Brian Cherwick</i>	
UCWLC — St Athanasius Branch, Regina	250
<i>Easter Pysanka & Paska Workshops</i>	



Holosy Choir Kupalo Workshop

"As a result of the workshop, we have welcomed three new members to the choir. Also, our choir has been asked to participate in the Kupalo celebrations at Little Manitou Lake this summer.

"We were very generously assisted in the presentation of a workshop in 2007 on schedrivky. The benefits to the choir are still being felt. We attracted several new members and continue to explore the wealth of repertoire that was pulled together for that workshop. Thank you for your continued support."

— Audrey Bayduza, Director

The Veselka Foam Lake Ukrainian Spring Festival is the largest festival in rural Saskatchewan. Organized by a volunteer committee of 11 members, the event promoting and fostering Ukrainian culture was sold out over three weeks ahead of time.

Activities began Thursday evening with a video presentation pertaining to Ukrainian culture. On Friday there was a presentation by NASHI on a children's orphanage in Ukraine. No-cost cultural workshops at Foam Lake Composite and Foam Lake Elementary Schools exposed students to Ukrainian music and symbolism in Easter eggs. A Ukrainian supper followed at Willy's Hotel followed by a Ukrainian Pub Night.

On Saturday at the Children's Corner, 40 children took part in dove-making (dough), colouring Ukrainian drawings, pysanky-writing for beginners and making Ukrainian hair bands. Later the Veselka Parade presented 14 floats downtown. The Foam Lake and District Fire Association held a pancake breakfast and the Foam Lake Air Cadets hosted a noon luncheon. Businesses featured Ukrainian displays and played Ukrainian music. The Festival at the Community Hall featured entertainment from Foam Lake, Prince Albert, Saskatoon, Weyburn, Wishart, Edmonton, Toronto and

Winnipeg. There was also Ukrainian food and a variety of items on display and for sale.

Foam Lake Mayor Bob Johnson said that the festival "gives everyone a chance to learn the traditions and appreciate the culture, dance and food that the Ukrainian pioneers brought to this country."

HERITAGE AWARENESS

Holodomor Working Committee 3,000
Holodomor Memorial Day Awareness Campaign

EDUCATION AND LANGUAGE

SUMMER CAMPS

Battlefords Ukrainian Canadian Cultural Council ... 750
Ukrainian Day Camp 2010

Green Grove Ukrainian Orthodox
 Youth Camp, Wakaw Lake 750
Ukrainian Summer Camp

Honey Bee Music & Dance Camp, Tisdale 500
Ukrainian Dance & Bandura Classes

St. Volodymyr Ukrainian Catholic
 Eparchial Camp, Pike Lake 500
"Team Work" 2009 Youth Summer Camp

TYC Ukr. Orthodox Men's Assn/Ukrainian Canadian
 Professional & Business Assn, Regina 750
Adult Ukrainian Language Immersion Camp



The 4-day Adult Ukrainian Language Immersion Camp is an educational, cultural and entertaining experience: there were 25 registrants from across western Canada and a family from New York registered in 3 classes: Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced, focusing on contemporary Ukrainian as spoken and evolving in Ukraine.

“The study of Ukrainian is good for the mind, the soul and the spirit.”

— Fr. Methodius Kushko, CSsR, Principal,
Ukrainian School, Yorkton

LANGUAGE PROGRAMS

Sadochok Ukrainian Language
Preschool, Regina 750
2008-09 Program

Sadochok Ukrainian Language
Preschool, Regina 400
2009-10 Program

St. Mary's Continuing Ukrainian Education
Association, Yorkton 500
Ukrainian language program

St. Thomas More College,
University of Saskatchewan 1,000
2010 Spring Session in Ukraine

TYC Ukrainian Orthodox Men's
Association, Regina 750
Adult Ukrainian Language Program

Ukrainian National Federation — Regina Branch ... 750
Ukrainian Saturday School



Among the 29 people enrolled in language classes offered by St. Mary's Continuing Ukrainian Education Association in Yorkton were three younger students and an octogenarian. One of the students was a doctor, and a married couple (lawyer/crown prosecutor and registered nurse) were learning the language because they wanted to visit Ukraine.

The UCC-SPC's Community Development Fund provides financial support to Ukrainian cultural, heritage, education, youth and other activities throughout the province. To date, approximately \$205,000 has been distributed, over twice the amount of funds just a few years ago.

UNIVERSITY BURSARY PROGRAM

Chelsea Campbell 500
STM Spring Session in Ukraine

Chris Kosterowski 500
STM Spring Session in Ukraine



The 2009 Spring Session in Ukraine is an intensive language program coordinated jointly by St. Thomas More College and the University of Saskatchewan. Credit courses at three levels are offered overseas in cooperation with Ternopil National Pedagogical University.

“After a three-year hiatus, the 2009 Spring Session in Ukraine program was very successful and we expect to build on this success in the upcoming session. It is because of the support of UCC-SPC that will allow this program to grow and become sustainable.”

— Joanne Illingworth, STM

COMMUNITY CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

Canada-Ukraine Centre Inc., Saskatoon 700
Growing Canada-Ukraine Relations Symposium

Veselka Prince Albert & District Ukrainian Culture
& Heritage Club 300
Newcomer Community Welcome

UCC Regina Branch 750
Governance Workshop for Member Organizations

TOURS AND EXCHANGES

Pavlychenko Folklorique Ensemble, Saskatoon .. 1,000
Nostalgia Tour, Eastern United States & Canada

UCC Regina Branch 1,000
Ivano-Frankivsk Exchange Program

Holodomor: Raising Awareness Ukraine Recognizes Saskatchewan Citizens



UCC-SPC President Ed Lysyk, Eugene Krenosky, Saskatchewan Premier Brad Wall, Ukraine Ambassador Dr. Ihor Ostash, Deputy Premier Ken Krawetz and Orest Warnyca.

Ukraine's Ambassador to Canada, His Excellency Ihor Ostash, conferred on the Honourable Ken Krawetz one of Ukraine's highest civilian awards at a formal awards dinner and presentation hosted by the UCC-SPC in Regina on September 23.

Saskatchewan's Deputy Premier was presented with the Order of Prince Yaroslav the Wise, Level V, for his work to enact provincial legislation, Bill Number 40, recognizing the Ukrainian Famine of 1932-33, or Holodomor, as genocide. The award is Ukraine's equivalent to the Order of Canada.

UCC Regina Branch President and UCC-SPC Board member Orest Warnyca, and UCC-SPC Past President Eugene Krenosky were also recognized, each receiving the Government of Ukraine's Medal for Meritorious Work and Achievement.

Emceed by Nadia Prokopchuk, the event was attended by approximately 150 people, among them: His Honour the Honourable Dr. Gordon Barnhart, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan; the Honourable

The Holodomor was one of the largest national tragedies in modern history with direct loss of human life in the range of 7-10 million. Modern historians agree that the famine was caused by the policies undertaken by the Soviet government of Josef Stalin. The Holodomor is referred to as the Ukrainian Genocide implying that the famine was engineered by the Soviet regime, specifically targeting the Ukrainian people to destroy the Ukrainian nation as a political factor and social entity.

In 2008 Saskatchewan became the first province to recognize the Holodomor as genocide. Several other provinces have since followed suit as has the Parliament of Canada.

Brad Wall, Premier of Saskatchewan; Senator Raynell Andreychuk; the Honourable John Klebuc, Chief Justice of the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal; His Excellency Most Reverend Bishop Bryan Bayda, Ukrainian Catholic Eparch of Saskatoon; His Grace Bishop Andriy Peshko, Bishop-elect of Saskatoon, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada.

Ukrainian music was provided by a trio of musicians (Matthew Gruza, Mark Klopoushak and Tony Hawrysh) before and during the meal, which included traditional Ukrainian fare. The entertainment portion of the program featured the Lastiwka Ukrainian Orthodox Youth Choir and Orchestra of Saskatoon and the intermediate and performing groups of the Kolos Ukrainian Dance Ensemble of Regina.

volunteers

Decor committee: Oksanna Zwarych,
Orest Gawdyda & Janet Lysyk
Reception table: Naomi Lee, Pam Lysak,
Moe and Jeff Merc

Ushers: Terry & Karen Kuzyk, Andrij & Carla Lazurko
Emcee: Nadia Prokopchuk

Furthering Saskatchewan-Ukraine Relations in Education, Culture, Social & Rural Development, Research, Trade

Saskatchewan and Ukraine are closely tied through historical roots, evidenced through numerous Ukrainian cultural, educational and other organizations in the province. Ukraine's developing economy holds great potential for Saskatchewan. Trade with Ukraine and the marketing of Saskatchewan products and services into Ukraine present numerous opportunities—a win-win situation for both.

Last November UCC-SPC hosted the Saskatchewan-Ukraine Network Roundtable at the Ukrainian Museum of Canada in Saskatoon. The event was a forum for institutions, community-based organizations and individuals to share information regarding their activities with and in Ukraine.

Participants ultimately agreed to the proposal to establish the Saskatchewan-Ukraine Network, with the goal to further Saskatchewan-Ukraine relations through enhanced communications, support, collaboration, and synergy by means of a network of organizations, institutions and associations.

Under the auspices of the UCC-SPC, the Network would be member-driven and focused particu-

larly on the areas of education, cultural, social and rural development, research, and trade, in order to:

- share information about member activities;
- learn about governmental and non-governmental funding sources/opportunities; and
- identify trade, outreach, research priorities and collaboration opportunities/issues related to the Network's goal.

As examples, organizations looking to enhance trade relations with Ukraine could identify barriers or opportunities for further trade; community-based organizations involved in social justice programs in Ukraine could identify areas of research and collaboration with Saskatchewan educational institutions.

A second meeting is planned for the spring of 2010 to discuss further Network roles and activities.

ANNIVERSARIES/CELEBRATIONS IN 2009

100th Anniversary

St. Nicholas Ukrainian Orthodox Church Drobot District

75th Anniversary

Ukrainian Women's Association of Canada Olena Pchilka Branch, Aylsham/Codette

70th Anniversary

New Community Credit Union, Saskatoon

65th Anniversary

Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada, Eparchy of Saskatoon

55th Anniversary

St. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada, Saskatoon

50th Anniversary

Ukrainian Catholic Parish of the Dormition of the Holy Mother of God, Saskatoon

50th Anniversary

Self-Reliance Association/Ukrainian Orthodox Men's Association of Canada, Regina

40th Anniversary

All Saints Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Saskatoon

36th Anniversary

Lloydminster Ukrainian Cultural Association



During its 25 years, the St. Athanasius Branch Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada in Regina has raised and dispersed approximately \$100,000 to causes that are aligned with its spiritual, cultural and organizational values.

35th Anniversary

Brotherhood of Bayda Kozaks, Saskatoon

25th Anniversary

St. Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada, Regina

25th Anniversary

Willowbrook & District Veselka Ukrainian Dance Club

15th Anniversary

UCC-SPC Nation Builders & Community Recognition Awards



The Regina Branch of the Self-Reliance Association/Ukrainian Orthodox Men's Association of Canada celebrated its 50th Anniversary. In the past six years, the club has donated almost \$115,000 in support of Ukrainian language classes and culture, and other charitable works.

MAKING A CULTURAL & ECONOMIC IMPACT...

"The Veselka Festival continues to bring much recognition to the community of Foam Lake. It has been a tremendous success because it brings world class entertainment to rural Saskatchewan, the home of Ukrainian culture in our province."

— Bob Johnson, Mayor, Foam Lake

"Saskatchewan's Ukrainian community has played a significant role in shaping our cultural heritage."

— Office of the Provincial Secretary

Promoting cultural awareness and celebration, the annual Svoboda Dance Festival is a cultural event that includes Ukrainians and non-Ukrainians.

Children aged 4-19 from nine dance schools in North Battleford, Hafford, Lloydminster, Nipawin, Rosthern and Saskatoon participated in the 19th edition of the festival in 2009. Thanks to fantastic financial support from Battlefords and area businesses, groups and individuals, more than 100 awards totalling over \$7,300 were presented in addition to several trophies and plaques.



In its 36th year, the Klenovee Lystky Dance Club has 60 dancers, aged 5-18, from Ituna and surrounding areas, including Kelliher, Parkerview, Jedburgh, Melville, Goodeve and Balcarres. The club's five age groups attended two competitions.

"With 17 new beginners this past year, the future definitely looks great for our Ukrainian dance club. With our 35th year behind us, we look forward to many more years of successful dancing in our community of Ituna and surrounding districts. Since 2010 will be Ituna's Centennial celebration, we expect our dance club will play an active role in our community's upcoming celebrations."

— Michele Kozak, Treasurer



The Pavlychenko Folklorique Ensemble celebrated its 42nd anniversary by touring the USA and Canada. The group has performed internationally across South America and Europe, engaging international audiences in learning about Ukrainian culture through its visual art. Dancers travel to these countries so that they can identify with other Ukrainians around the world and share their love of dance. As proud Canadian ambassadors, they enable audiences to learn about Canadian culture and bring about a better understanding of Canada's vast and diverse culture.

"The PFE would like to thank the UCC-SPC for the work your organization does to maintain Ukrainian culture, in Saskatoon, in Saskatchewan, and abroad."

— Sonya Horner, Dancer

Perennial crowd pleasers at Foam Lake's Veselka Festival, Wishart's Senior Hopak Dancers were invited to Disney World, the Dauphin Festival, and Kyiv, where they danced on Ukraine's Independence Day. The troupe has 18 dancers, six of whom are new.

— Foam Lake Review

Saskatchewan's Ukrainian community institutions employ more than 80 full- and part-time staff. These include: cultural workers; dance instructors/choreographers; retail and banking staff as well as museum workers and others.

— information collected via UCC-SPC's 2009 Community Member Updates

HIGHLIGHTS OF BRANCH ACTIVITIES

Battlefords Ukrainian Canadian Cultural Council

ucc.sk.ca/branches/battlefordsBr.htm

Battlefords Bridgefest 2009

Battlefords Ukrainian Canadian Cultural Council, Svoboda Ukrainian Dance parents and recently-arrived "New Ukrainians" participated in the first Annual Battlefords Bridgefest. The event was organized by the City of North Battleford, Town of Battleford and the Battlefords United Way.

The purpose of the event is to foster a sense of pride and belonging in the Battlefords residence. The secondary purpose of the event is to help raise funds for the Battlefords and District Multiplex facility.

Our group organized a food booth where we sold pyrohy and specially marinated shashlyky (shishkabobs). The shashlyky were prepared and barbequed by the New Ukrainians. This event gave us an opportunity to get acquainted and get some exposure in the community.

There were various displays, food booths and entertainment, all culminating in a great evening Grandstand and Fireworks.

Approximately 7,000 people attended this one-day event with plans for this event to be held on August 29, 2010.

We had a sell-out and have plans to participate again in 2010. Please come and visit.

Submitted by Paul Kardynal, President

BUCCC EXECUTIVE

President: Paul Kardynal

Past President: Jennie Penzie

Secretary: Evelyn Kardynal

Treasurer: Pat Bohun

Auditors: Orest Woytiuk & Elmer Woytiuk

Hafford Cheremka Dance Club has been a part of the Hafford community for over 30 years. Our community comes together each year to support our Malanka in January and our festival in March. We have many, many volunteers that come from Hafford and surrounding communities to help with the preparations.

Ukrainian Canadian Congress Canora Branch

ucc.sk.ca/branches/canoraBr.htm

Producing a History

Ukrainian Canadian Committee – Canora Branch 1940

Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Canora Branch 1990



A history of the UCC – Canora Branch (1940-2009) in 20 volumes

It takes time, patience and endurance for volunteers to produce a recorded history.

■ 1988-89 *R.M. of Sliding Hills* #273

In 1988 the **75th Anniversary Committee** began collecting the history of the R.M. of Sliding Hills. In 1989, the *R.M. of Sliding Hills* #273 history was published by Redeemer Press, Yorkton.

In 1991-92, the UCC – Canora Branch featured a Ukrainian Museum in the Canora Mall during the Centennial of Ukrainian Settlement in Canada Celebrations.

75th Anniversary Committee

Ernie & Cathy Bodnarek, George Boychuk, Russell Cymbalisty, John Gorchynski, Tony Hladyboroda, Jack Kazakoff, Nellie Koroluk, Mike Klutz, Eugene & Taras Korol, Dan Krepakewich, Nestor Kyba, Adolph Matsalla, Bernice Monich, Donna Makowsky, Lorne Poole, George Shukin, Mike Sniatynski, Ann Strelloff, Edward Yarechewski, MariAnn Cooper

Volunteers: Ernie Mazur, Paul Ortynsky, John & Olga Oystryk



2009 Executive members: Alice Derow, treasurer; Irene Schigol, secretary; Taras Korol, President

Monthly themes consisting of art, heroes, history, literature, traditions, pioneers, etc., were featured. Private collections of artifacts, books, crafts, music, newspaper clippings, etc., were used in presenting the story of Ukrainian settlers in the Crooked Lakes Block Settlement in 1897 and how they prospered on farms, hamlets, villages and towns in the area.

■ **1990 *History of Canora 1905-1990***

In 1990, the **Canora History Editorial Board** published *History of Canora 1905-1990*. Page 213 contained the following paragraph:

"The Canora Branch of the UCC was formally organised in 1940, representing the following local organizations: The Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood, The Ukrainian Self-Reliance League, and the Ukrainian National Federation. The first president was Basil Baleshta, with George F. Stratychuk as secretary and Dr. A. Cymbalisty as treasurer."

***History of Canora 1905-1990* was produced by Canora's History Editorial Board**

Walter Mysak, Taras Korol, Steven Kobrynsky, Margaret Pugh, Alice Derow, Lil Crotenko, Stan W. Gorchynski, Ernie Gabora, Ed. German, Ernie Mazur, Ken Rolheiser, D.Z. Daniels, Paul J.E. Ortynsky, Paul Hladun, Geo. Predy, Winnifred Pugh, Kay Daniles

Typists: Michele Hrywkiw and Elizabeth Bahniuk

■ **UCC – Canora Branch History Project 2009**

Valuable private collections (Steven and Lillian Kobrynsky, Tena Remenda, Taras Korol, etc.) were available for producing into a history of the Canora Branch of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress. All materials (articles, clippings, pictures, etc.) were then arranged in 20 binders representing years 1940-2009.

Submitted by Taras (Terry) Korol, historian

UCC CANORA EXECUTIVE

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Secretary: Irene Schigol

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Treasurer: Alice Derow

Social Committee: Rose Remenda, Stella Diakow, Mary Kotyk, Sylvia Korol

Program: Committee: Iryna Lazurko, Olga Zawislak, Irene Schigol, Dorothy Korol, Rev. Patrick Powalinsky, Adeline Zawislak

Corresponding Secretary/Visiting/Cards: Iryna Lazurko, Taras Korol

Auditors: Adam Kotyk, Bernie Marchinko

**CANORA UKRAINIAN HERITAGE MUSEUM
(215 Main Street)**

Executive

Past President: Pat Marchinko

President: Walter Boyko

Vice-President/Administrator: Victor Schigol

Secretary: Fran Uhryn

Treasurer: Dorothy Korol

Directors: Taras Korol, Fran Uhryn,

Dorothy Korol, Victor Schigol,

Steve Kobelka, Walter Boyko,

Max Zawislak

Auditors: Adam Kotyk, Clarence Derow, Bernie Marchinko

Artifacts Committee: Irene Schigol,

Alice Derow, Dorothy Korol, Iryna Lazurko

Social Committee: Rose Remenda,

Stella Diakow, Mary Kotyk, Sylvia Korol



**CANORA WELCOME
STATUE COMMITTEE INC.**

Town: Sylvester Hrynkiw
Doug Daniels

UCC Canora Branch:

Clarence Derow,
Bernie Marchinko,
Dorothy Korol,
Taras Korol

Veselka Prince Albert & District Ukrainian Culture & Heritage Club

ucc.sk.ca/branches/princeAlbertBr.htm

VESELKA CLUB EXECUTIVE
Past President: Ron Adamko
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Secretary: Caroline Tessier
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Ukrainian Canadian Congress Regina Branch

ucc.sk.ca/branches/reginaBr.htm

The Regina Branch continues to be active in programming along with its member organizations. We maintain an office space with part-time help. The space is available to our member groups and is especially well used with our various immigration programs.

Kyiv Ukrainian Pavilion

We host our cultural pavilion during Regina's multicultural festival, Mosaic. This is our major fundraiser that draws on the entire community with the participation of over 600 volunteers and entertainers.

Immigration

This is a very active program with limited personnel and resources. Thanks to our volunteer base and part-time staff, we are very proud of our accomplishments in areas of settlement, integration, employment, ESL, etc. A strategic planning workshop has been set to assist us in future directions.

UCC Regina branch is purchasing a commemora-



The Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan the Honourable Dr. Gordon Barnhart (centre) with Nation Builders award recipients Dr. Tony Harras and Orest Warnyca.



PHOTO: AL KACHKOWSKI

Kobzar Concert: Jurij Fedynskyj and Taras Kompanichenko

tive plaque for the Immigrant Sculpture project located in the courtyard at City Hall.

Holodomor

All of our Ukrainian churches in Regina were requested to participate in the commemoration of the lives lost in Ukraine during the 1932-33 forced famine (Holodomor). Our branch also hosted a special evening program.

Nation Builders

A bus was chartered, for members of our organizations that were interested in travelling to Saskatoon, for the awards banquet. Compliments of several sponsors, sustenance was available on the bus.

Programs of Note

Ivano-Frankivsk Project: A student program with the University of Regina

Kobzar Concert: An evening of songs, ballads, religious psalms and chants, with two talented performers from Ukraine. Their seven-hour performance was thoroughly enjoyed.

Kyiv Chamber Choir: Promoted and hosted this influential choir from Ukraine

Special Awards: Congratulations for notable accomplishments in the Ukrainian community to Regina Branch members Dr. Tony Harras and Orest Warnyca as both were honoured by our provincial council as "Nation Builders".

Also, branch members Eugene Krenosky and Orest Warnyca were presented medals by Ukraine's Ambassador, Ihor Ostash, on behalf of the Government of Ukraine, for their "meritorious work and achievement" in promoting the awareness of the Holodomor (see page 18).

The Regina Board has chosen to emphasize the following in the coming year:

- Mosaic (Regina's Multicultural Festival)
- Independence (Ukraine) Day
- Holodomor
- Immigration
- Immigration Sculpture project at Regina City Hall
- Upgrading the Ukrainian Park at the Saskatchewan Science Centre
- Regina branch's 70th anniversary celebration
- Christmas greetings in the Leader Post

- Strategic planning workshop
- Recognition and support to member organizations' activities

Submitted by Orest Warnyca, President

UCC REGINA EXECUTIVE

President: Orest Warnyca

1st Vice-President: Edward Lysyk

2nd Vice-President: Orest Gawdyda

Secretary: Holly Paluck

Treasurer: Naomi Lee

Directors at Large: Marie Wilson,
Vera Feduschak

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Ukrainian Canadian Congress Saskatoon Branch

ucc.sk.ca/branches/saskatoonBr.htm

UCC-SB and Bishop Filevich Ukrainian Bilingual School partnered by having a HOLODOMOR display in the school foyer. Thirty-three black flags symbolizing 1933, and banners "Ukraine Remembers" and the "World Acknowledges" together with brochures were featured in the showcase for a six-week period.



Above: Greeting skilled workers from Ukraine at the airport.

At right: Students practising their English conversational skills at UCC-SB's evening ESL class.



UCC-SB club members who attended a regular meeting and then enjoyed a social time at the home of Al & Cec Kachkowski.

UCC SASKATOON EXECUTIVE

Past President: Paul Bunka

President: Slawko Kindrachuk

Secretary: Audrey Langhorst

Treasurer: Larry Balion

Communication/Membership: Al Kachkowski,
Karen Malanowich

Members: Laurianne Gabruch,
Matthew Paslawski, Christine Chayka,
Karen Pidskalny

Weyburn & District Ukrainian Canadian Cultural Council

ucc.sk.ca/branches/weyburnBr.htm

There is an immigration office in Estevan and we have had a busy year with a lot of Ukrainian people coming to the Weyburn & Estevan and surrounding areas.

In Weyburn we had a get-together in November for our Christmas Party. The turnout was great.

Ukrainian classes are being held three times a week.

A lot of work is being done to help the people get their drivers licence and also their Landed Immigrant Status. I am finding out that a lot of the immigrants are from Russia and they did not have the Ukrainian traditions that we celebrate in Canada. For example, the three types of bread (kolach, paska, babka) and the wedding bread—some of the people did not know what we were talking about. Even the nalsynyky—they were surprised at how we made them.

The Malanka on January 23rd had a good turnout—close to one hundred despite inclement weather.

We laid a wreath for Remembrance Day. Over a dozen of the Ukrainian newcomers showed up for the

services and were very impressed how the service was done.

There was a gathering for the Holodomor with about eighty people participating. Father Derkatch had a service after the church service to pray for Ukraine for a safe and fair election in January. Each one of us got a candle, which was lit during the service. Father said to take them home and if things don't go well or they feel depressed to light the candle for help.

The Weyburn Fair was enjoyed by all and so was Canada Day.

Perogy supper is going well with an average of 120 people per night attending.

Submitted by Stan Ganczar, President



Kicking off Ukrainian New Year's

Devin Howell-Shiplack (left) and Caitlin Kohne present Eileen and Stan Ganczar with a sheaf of wheat and braided loaf of bread and salt at the beginning of the Ukrainian New Year's festivities, or Malanka, at the Royal Canadian Legion Weyburn Branch No. 47. All three items are formally presented before the start of any Ukrainian celebration, whether big or small. The braided bread symbolizes good fortune, the salt is believed to protect against evil charms, and the sheaf of wheat, specifically the stalks, represent all the ancestors of a family. Howell-Shiplack and Kohne are dancers with the Regina-based Tavria Ukrainian Folk Dance Ensemble. Based on the Julian Calendar, Ukrainian New Year's is January 13.

WUCCC EXECUTIVE

President: Stan Ganczar
1st Vice-President: Deanna Pierce-Colbow
Treasurer & Secretary: Sandy McLeod
Directors: Eileen Ganczar, Helen Shkapoyid,
Iryna Partyka, Igor Kozlov,
Oleh Shkapoyid, Mary Konotopetz

Ukrainian Canadian Congress Yorkton Branch

ucc.sk.ca/branches/yorktonBr.htm

This year, 2009, has been an eventful and fulfilling year for the members of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress in Yorkton.

The highlights of the year have brought awareness to some of the goals and objectives of the organization. The Ukrainian community of Yorkton has been diligent in its support of world, national and local programs. The following are some of the events and programs that have taken place:

- Support of the Kalyna Ukrainian Dance Festival.
- The celebration of the Independence of Ukraine, which was held on August 30, included a Moleben, Panakyda, cultural program and a potluck supper.
- Ukrainian Canadian Congress — Saskatchewan Provincial Council recognizes individuals for their contribution to the preservation of culture, to volunteerism and to leadership. For 2009, from Yorkton, Catherine Woloschuk and Glen Tymiak were recognized at the annual Nation Builders and Community Recognition Luncheon held on November 1, 2009 in Saskatoon.
- Co-ordinating and assisting in some of the settlement issues for the immigrants from Ukraine who have come to live and work in Yorkton.
- Hosting a Dessert Reception for the members of the Saskatchewan-Ukraine Advisory Committee while they were in Yorkton for their meeting. Guests of the evening also included local business and professionals, civic dignitaries, program managers and some of the newcomers from Ukraine.
- Memorial services in remembrance of the victims of the Holodomor (1932-1933) were held in Ukrainian Orthodox and Ukrainian Catholic churches on November 28 & 29, 2009.

The Ukrainian Canadian Congress — Yorkton Branch is grateful for and appreciates the support it is receiving from the Ukrainian community as a whole.

Submitted by Merle Maximiuk, President

UCC YORKTON EXECUTIVE

Past President: Harry Kardynal
President: Merle Maximiuk
Vice-President: Sonja Pawliw
Secretary: Pauline Semenuik
Treasurer: Irene Strilchuk

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS - SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

Auditor's Report

Financial Statements

December 31, 2009

AUDITOR'S REPORT

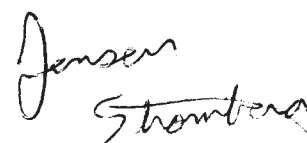
To the Board of Directors of
Ukrainian Canadian Congress - Saskatchewan Provincial Council

We have audited the balance sheet of **Ukrainian Canadian Congress - Saskatchewan Provincial Council** as at **December 31, 2009**, the statement of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

Except as explained in the following paragraph, we conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the organization derives a portion of its revenue in the form of cash, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Council and we are not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenues, assets, or net assets.

In our opinion, except for the effect of adjustments, if any, which we might have determined to be necessary had we been able to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of revenue referred to in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at December 31, 2009 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.



Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

February 24, 2010

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UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS - SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 2009
with comparative figures for 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 86,497	102,572
Short term investments	135,046	90,216
Accounts receivable	42,326	77,881
Inventory	298	380
Prepaid expenses	<u>2,350</u>	<u>2,350</u>
Total current assets	266,517	273,399
Capital assets (Note 3)	<u>3,374</u>	<u>1,845</u>
	<u>\$ 269,891</u>	<u>275,244</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 56,778	60,392
Deferred revenue	<u>126,920</u>	<u>124,420</u>
	183,698	184,812
Net assets, per accompanying statement:		
Invested in capital assets	3,374	1,845
Unrestricted	<u>82,819</u>	<u>88,587</u>
Total net assets	<u>86,193</u>	<u>90,432</u>
	<u>\$ 269,891</u>	<u>275,244</u>

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

 Director
 Director

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS - SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year ended December 31, 2009
with comparative figures for 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Grant Revenue:		
Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation	\$ 195,000	182,000
Shevchenko Foundation	-	10,044
Multicultural Initiatives Fund	16,500	17,000
Government of Saskatchewan Advanced Education and Employment	52,609	53,803
Saskatchewan Liquor Gaming Authority	-	95
	<u>264,109</u>	<u>262,942</u>
Self-Generated Revenue:		
Nation Builders	4,460	4,065
Expense recovery - projects	20	4,225
Film Festival	-	5,800
Earned interest	2,714	7,462
Communications	3,000	3,500
Visnyk	7,447	6,640
Self-help	3,485	3,013
Video conversions and dubbing	-	2
Translation	5,036	5,188
Other	<u>15,178</u>	<u>4,982</u>
	<u>41,340</u>	<u>44,877</u>
Donations:		
Culture & Education	6,340	3,860
Visnyk	2,977	4,728
Ukrainian Arts Program	25	-
Nation Builders	8,225	8,493
Community development	367	-
Immigration	2,502	300
Special Appeal	<u>25</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>20,461</u>	<u>17,381</u>
Lottery:		
UCC-SPC Lottery (net) (Note 4)	<u>-</u>	<u>(8,997)</u>
Total Revenue	<u>325,910</u>	<u>316,203</u>
Expenditures:		
Administration (Schedule 1)	230,004	194,669
Programs (Schedule 2)	<u>100,145</u>	<u>90,740</u>
	<u>330,149</u>	<u>285,409</u>
 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	 <u>\$ (4,239)</u>	 <u>30,794</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS - SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

Year ended December 31, 2009
with comparative figures for 2008

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Invested in Capital Assets</u>	<u>Total 2009</u>	<u>Total 2008</u>
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 88,587	1,845	90,432	59,638
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(2,484)	(1,755)	(4,239)	30,794
Additions to capital assets	<u>(3,284)</u>	<u>3,284</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net assets, end of year	\$ <u>82,819</u>	<u>3,374</u>	<u>86,193</u>	<u>90,432</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS - SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended December 31, 2009
with comparative figures for 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Cash provided by (used in):		
Operating activities:		
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ (4,239)	30,794
Item not involving an outlay of cash:		
Amortization	<u>1,755</u>	<u>2,607</u>
	(2,484)	33,401
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Increase in marketable securities	(129,935)	(5,111)
Accounts receivable	35,556	(34,204)
Inventories	83	118
Prepaid expenses	-	(99)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(3,616)	(2,382)
Deferred revenue	<u>2,500</u>	<u>(3,927)</u>
	<u>(97,896)</u>	<u>(12,204)</u>
Investing activities:		
Additions to capital assets	(3,284)	(1,948)
Purchase of term deposits (net)	<u>85,105</u>	<u>50,616</u>
	<u>81,821</u>	<u>48,668</u>
Net change in cash during the year	(16,075)	36,464
Cash position, beginning of year	<u>102,572</u>	<u>66,108</u>
Cash position, end of year	<u>\$ 86,497</u>	<u>102,572</u>

Cash position is comprised of cash in bank less outstanding cheques.

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS - SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2009

1. MISSION

The Saskatchewan Provincial Council is the provincial branch of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress. The Headquarters of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress is located in Winnipeg, Manitoba. The Saskatchewan Provincial Council provides cultural and educational programs and is dedicated to promoting the development of the Ukrainian community throughout Saskatchewan.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles and include the following significant accounting policies.

(a) **Revenue Recognition**

The organization follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Endowment contributions are recognized as direct increases in net assets. Revenues from the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation are shown as deferred revenues if they relate to the next fiscal period and as grants receivable if they relate to the current fiscal period and are not received by the end of the current fiscal period.

(b) **Capital Assets**

Capital assets are recorded at cost. Amortization is calculated using the following annual rates and methods designed to amortize the assets over their useful lives:

Furniture and fixtures	10% - straight line
Computer hardware	33 1/3% - straight line
Computer software	33 1/3% - straight line

In the year of acquisition, amortization is taken at one-half of the above rates.

(c) **Income Taxes**

The organization is exempt from income taxes as it is a non-profit organization.

(d) **Financial Instruments**

The organization's financial instruments are comprised of cash, term deposits, accounts receivable, and accounts payable. The carrying amount of cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable approximate their fair value due to their short-term nature.

Term Deposits

All term deposits are classified as held-to-maturity because the organization has the positive intent and ability to hold them until maturity. Held-to-maturity investments are recognized at amortized cost using the effective interest method and related income is recognized immediately in the statement of operations.

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS - SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2009

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(e) Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Differences are reflected in current earnings when identified.

3. CAPITAL ASSETS

		<u>2009</u>		<u>2008</u>
	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Accumulated Amortization</u>	<u>Net Book Value</u>	<u>Net Book Value</u>
Furniture and fixtures	\$ 75,508	75,385	123	-
Computer hardware	56,000	52,957	3,043	1,736
Computer software	<u>9,156</u>	<u>8,948</u>	<u>208</u>	<u>109</u>
	<u>\$ 140,664</u>	<u>137,290</u>	<u>3,374</u>	<u>1,845</u>

4. UCC-SPC LOTTERY

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Revenues	\$ -	\$ 79,400
Expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>88,397</u>
Income (loss) on lottery (net)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (8,997)</u>

5. LEASE COMMITMENTS

The organization has lease commitments for building and equipment as follows:

2010	\$ 20,740
2011	\$ 1,282
2012	1,282
2013	1,282
2014	1,282

6. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

On June 13, 2009, the Organization's Board of Directors elected to change the amortization rates established for the Organization's capital assets. The rates were changed to straight line 33 1/3% on Computer hardware and software, and to 10% on furniture and fixtures. This change is reflected prospectively. Opening net assets were not affected.

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS - SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

SCHEDULE OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES

Year ended December 31, 2009
with comparative figures for 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
General Administration		
Administration for programs	\$ 5,479	5,187
Administration salaries and benefits	120,749	113,114
Office supplies	4,950	4,703
Postage and shipping	1,291	1,248
Rent	22,320	21,007
Repairs and maintenance	76	352
Service contracts	4,708	2,987
Telephone and Internet	2,337	2,242
Telephone for programs	<u>1,189</u>	<u>1,181</u>
	<u>163,099</u>	<u>152,021</u>
Organizational Business		
Administration Fees	1,610	1,180
UCC Administration fees	1,407	1,330
Amortization	1,755	2,607
Bad debts	14,125	-
Insurance	649	550
Interest and bank charges	357	272
Professional fees	6,375	5,053
Accrual - Audit	-	3,000
Subscriptions and memberships	<u>915</u>	<u>190</u>
	<u>27,193</u>	<u>14,182</u>
Travel and Meetings		
Annual general meeting	3,963	2,149
Board meetings	6,651	5,927
Other meetings	2,072	1,690
Travel - staff	1,651	1,414
Travel - volunteer	<u>599</u>	<u>974</u>
	<u>14,936</u>	<u>12,154</u>
Publishing and Communications		
Membership communications - Visnyk	19,430	14,231
Other	<u>5,346</u>	<u>2,081</u>
	<u>24,776</u>	<u>16,312</u>
Total Administrative Expenditures	<u>\$ 230,004</u>	<u>194,669</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS -
SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL**

SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM EXPENDITURES

Year ended December 31, 2009
with comparative figures for 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Community Development		
CDF - grants released	\$ 25,000	23,825
Library resource	152	234
Youth Action Now	-	
Lottery	-	481
	<u>25,152</u>	<u>24,540</u>
Programs		
Immigration	39,244	41,958
Nation Builder and Community Recognition awards	10,484	8,595
SCULE	-	4,999
Translation	12,612	2,810
Special events	8,171	-
Ukrainian Film Festival	215	5,292
Ukrainian Education Week	492	-
Holodomor Commemoration	3,286	2,546
Youth Programming	489	-
	<u>74,993</u>	<u>66,200</u>
Total Program Expenditures	<u>\$ 100,145</u>	<u>90,740</u>

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