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November Meeting

Lesley Anderson, a consultant with Ancestry.ca, made an informative presentation of the resources available on www.ancestrylibrary.com to search for information on ancestors. Researchers will have to visit their local public library and have a library card to access www.ancestrylibrary.com. Access is also available at the Library and Archives Canada on Wellington Street. Researchers may also subscribe for this service if they wish to receive it at their home computer.

Lesley described various types of searches: basic, advanced research, by location. Also searches by card catalogue of all databases: title, key word and time period (year range). Lesley spoke about other sources for research and the session was concluded by a question period.

Walter Weslowski

One of our members, Walter Weslowski passed away on January 5, 2011 at the age of 91. Walter and his wife, Anne Marie, attended many of our meetings and made significant contributions to our discussions and presentations. Walter was a proud veteran of the RCAF during the Second World War and was an active member for many years of the Mazeppa Branch 183 of the Royal Canadian Legion in Montreal and also of Orleans Branch 632.

A Legion Service and a Panachyda was held on Sunday, January 9. A Funeral Service was held at the St. Sophie Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Montreal and burial was at the Mount Royal Cemetery.

Community Events

Three Stories of Galicia

UCPBA - Ottawa presents Three Stories of Galicia, a film documentary by Olha Onyshko and Sarah Farhat. The film deals with the lives of individuals and families that lived in Galicia (Halychyna) during a difficult historical period: a Jewish family that chose to save the life of its worst enemy; a Ukrainian woman who endured the theft of her children to save her country; a parish priest who risked everything to end the sectarian hatred that devastated his parish.

Thursday, February 10, 7:00 p.m.
913 Carling Avenue, second floor
Admission: Free for UCPBA members; \$10.00 for non-members (Seniors and students \$5.00)

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Dnipro Choir

February 20, Sunday 3 pm. Dnipro Choir performs at Knox Presbyterian Church, 120 Lisgar Street.

February 21, Monday noon. Dnipro Choir performs on Parliament Hill.

Launch of Canadian Families database

In December, 2010, Library and Archives Canada announced the launch of a new online database, Canadian Families.

Through this online database, researchers can access references to baptisms, marriages and burials inscribed in church records held at Library and Archives Canada. This database will expand slowly over the next few years as more references are added.

The database is available at:

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/families/index-e.html

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DATES - 2011 Departures

May 27

August 26

DURATION

18 days / 17 nights

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