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November Meeting

Marthe Seguin-Muntz was the guest speaker at our November meeting and she spoke about the various genealogical services provided by Library and Archives Canada (LAC) at 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa. She began by explaining the policy and procedures to obtain a LAC User Card, the hours of operation and related information.



Myron & Mike presenting Marthe a token of our thanks

The Genealogical Reference Desk is located on the third floor of the LAC Building where a reference staff person is available to assist researchers with their research. This area includes computer terminals with access to various databases including access to Ancestry.com. There is also a reference library on various genealogical subjects and a library of published family histories including several dealing with Ukrainian families in Canada.

Marthe also mentioned a few of the archival collections that contain information on Ukrainian pioneer history in Canada in particular, the V.J. Kaye (Kysilewsky) fonds and the Li-Ra-Ma Collection (Russian consular records). She mentioned the

project to list Ukrainian immigrants in the passenger lists by Walter Zayachkowski that should be available soon.

She invited researchers to examine the LAC webpage at www.collectionscanada.gc.ca and consult the various databases at (Search Only) Ancestors. Another site within this webpage is 'Genealogy and Family History'. An example is Passenger Lists 1865-1935 (in particular the period 1925-1935). She also invited researchers to visit the LAC during office hours and, if required, request a tour of the LAC by appointment

New Library and Archives Blog

Submitted by Ted Lomatski

Canada (LAC) is pleased to present our new blog, a project developed by the Resource Discovery Sector.

Monitored and answered by multidisciplinary teams, the Library and Archives Canada Blog provides useful tips and recommends tools to help you discover your documentary heritage and navigate the LAC website.

This four-month pilot project is just one of a number of modernization initiatives that focuses on providing you with quick and easy access to the LAC collection. The blog also connects you with LAC and other people who share an interest in Canadian history.

For more information, we invite you to visit the About the Blog at <http://thediscoverblog.com/about/> section or contact us at blog@bac-lac.gc.ca. You may also subscribe to our RSS feed.

100th Anniversary of St. John the Baptist Parish

The Ukrainian Catholic Parish was established in Ottawa in October, 1914. The 100th anniversary is approaching and Fr. Cyril Mykytiuk has issued the following notice:

To begin preparing for this anniversary, parishioners are asked to submit any old parish photos to Fr. Cyril. These photos will be scanned and returned. Please provide as much information as possible about the persons or events (dates, names, etc.) depicted in the photos.

If there are any questions, please contact Fr. Cyril at:
Parish Office: (613) 723-1673
e-mail: pastor-st-john-baptist-shrine@rogers.com

Donation

The Ukrainian Genealogy Group would like to thank Terry Gnesko for the donation of the 100th Anniversary Book of the St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Montreal and also the DVD entitled, 'Papa Duke at Montreal Jazz Festival' (2006).

Members may visit the webpage <http://www.ukemonde.com/stmichael/> to view photos and video of the celebrations at the St. Michael the Archangel Parish.

Manitoba Vital Statistics

One source for information on ancestors in Manitoba is the Vital Statistics site for Manitoba at:
<http://vitalstats.gov.mb.ca/Query.php>

At this site, researchers can search for the following:
Births (more than 100 years ago)
Marriages (more than 80 years ago)
Deaths (more than 70 years ago)

Genealogy Workshop (April 22, 2012)

Lesley Anderson of Ancestry.ca and Rick Roberts of GlobalGenealogy.com will present a full day workshop where you can learn how to best use Ancestry's online genealogy databases, and Family Tree Maker software to research, record and share your family history.

The agenda is evenly split between teaching you how to navigate and find the information that you are looking for in Ancestry's online archives of millions of genealogical records, and learning the ins and outs of using Family Tree Maker software to record, manage and share your findings in both printed and digital formats.

Attendees will also learn how to use your Ancestry subscription from within Family Tree Maker to access and download information to your family file, and how to create private or public online trees that are synchronized with your FTM family file.

Both presenters will demonstrate their points using a computer projected to a large screen. The Ancestry portion will also use online access to Ancestry.ca in real time. It is not necessary for anyone to bring a laptop because all topics will be shown on the projection screen, including any responses to questions from attendees.

GlobalGenealogy.com will have a significant book, eBook and software display where anyone who is interested can browse and buy the available products.

More information is available at the following site:

<http://globalgenealogy.com/workshops/2012-04-22-ottawa.htm>

For any members who do attend this workshop, we would be most interested in hearing your feedback at one of our future monthly meetings

Ukrainians in Argentina

We have recently purchased the following book for the UGG-NCR. It will soon be available for short-term loan from our library.

Serge Cipko, *Ukrainians in Argentina 1897-1950: The Making of a Community*, Edmonton 2011, 272 pages.

And on the topic of Ukrainians in Argentina, there is also an interesting website containing listings of Argentinean immigrants (including many Ukrainians):

<http://www.immigration-records.com.ar/>

It contains alphabetized pages listing surnames you can sift through and is especially useful if you are trying various spelling variations of surnames.

It also links up to a Jewish Genealogy website where you can just type the surname into a search engine (i.e. use the "Search for Immigration Records" link on that page):

http://www.hebrewsurnames.com/passenger_records_search