



# Ukrainian Genealogy Group

## National Capital Region

The Ukrainian Genealogist

March 2005

913 Carling Avenue Ottawa, Ontario K1Y 4E3

Website: [www.geocities.com/uggncr/](http://www.geocities.com/uggncr/) eMail: [uggncr@canada.com](mailto:uggncr@canada.com)

Events Calendar at: <http://calendar.yahoo.ca/uggncr>

Contact: Myron Momryk (613) 731-1870

Editor: Mike Dowhan (613) 521-3449

### **February 22, 2004 Meeting**

At the February meeting we viewed two videos on Jewish family history research in Ukraine:

"How to Trace Your Jewish Roots - A journey with Arthur Kurzweil" and

"Routes to Routes - A Time to Gather Stones - with Miriam Weiner".

In the first video, Arthur Kurzweil summarized some of the steps to begin your family history research:

1. Talk to relatives both immediate family and distant relatives
2. Identify the relatives who immigrated to Canada and when
3. Attempt to locate naturalization/citizenship records of relatives
4. Check passenger lists of ships that brought your relatives to Canada including later arrivals
5. Attempt to locate local histories of areas settled in Canada and also books about ancestral villages, counties, oblasts in Ukraine
5. Use your local library to locate newspapers for obituaries, census data, city directories, maps
6. Try to locate photographs and use them to identify family members
7. Check cemetery records for information birth and death dates, other family members
8. Contact any relatives still alive in Ukraine

9. Check your local family History Center (Mormons) for these and other sources

The most popular sources are still on the internet and by checking Google and CyndisList you can locate many other sources.

*Thank You*

Many thanks to Hymie Reichstein and the Jewish Genealogical Society of Ottawa for the loan of the two videos which were viewed at the February meeting.

Thanks are also due to Dr. John Woychyshyn and the Ukrainian Senior Citizens Club for the use of the TV monitor and VCR.

### **Shumka in Ottawa**

The Shumka Dancers from Edmonton will perform at the Centrepointhe Theatre on Sunday, May 8, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. More information in the April newsletter.

### **Surnames connected with Russia**

A good source of information for those who trace their roots to Russia and are interested in Russian surnames:

<http://www.vgd.ru/English/fraim.htm>.

**Exhibitions at the Library and Archives  
Canada - "Alberta Faces" by Orest  
Semchishen**

April 15, 2005 - January 15, 2006  
395 Wellington Street, Ottawa  
From 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily  
West Corridor, Free Admission

In the early 1970's, Orest Semchishen, from Edmonton, began focusing his camera on people and places of Alberta. A selection of his photographs are being presented in this exhibition.

**Library and Archives Canada**

Tracing your ancestors in Canada online at  
<http://www.genealogy.gc.ca/>

This is a guide to genealogical sources at the Library and Archives Canada and at other Canadian centres. You will find information on how to start your research and on census records, records of births, marriages and deaths, land records, military records and immigration records.

**Ivan Franko Memorial Lecture**

Annual Ivan Franko Memorial Lecture,  
organized by the Chair of Ukrainian Studies,  
University of Ottawa, and the UCPBA-Ottawa.

Speaker: Dr. Volodymyr Kulyk, Institute of  
Political and Ethnic Studies, Kyiv, Ukraine, on  
"Language Politics in a Multilingual Society:  
The Experience of Ukraine".

Residence Lounge, 90 University Private,  
University of Ottawa campus. March 31,  
Thursday 7:30 PM.

For further information: Chair Coordinator  
Irena Bell, 562-5800 ext. 3692.

**Ukrainian Canadian Soldiers in the First  
World War**

Peter Broznitsky is compiling names of  
Ukrainian Canadian soldiers who served in the  
Canadian military during the First World War.  
He has already compiled 3,800 names.  
Information on names, published sources of  
names and any other information which may  
assist Peter in his research will be greatly  
appreciated.

E-mail address:  
Peter.BROZNITSKY@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

**Ramon J. Hnatyshyn Lecture Series**

April 21, Thurs. 7:30 PM.

Second in the "Ramon J. Hnatyshyn Lecture  
Series". Speaker: Prof. Volodymyr Mezentsev,  
on Baturyn.

Chair of Ukrainian Studies, University of  
Ottawa.

**Hot Ukrainian Food**

Hot lunch and sale of pyrohy/varenyky and  
holubtsi every Sunday after the Divine Liturgy,  
12 PM-1:30 PM (with the exception of Sundays  
when special events take place).  
Varenyky/pyrohy and holubtsi sale every  
Thursday 4 PM-8 PM.

At the Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral hall, 1000  
Byron Ave

**Upcoming UGG-NCR Meetings (Tentative)**

April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2005

A presentation by Jerzy Czartoryski on his  
Polish Family History & research methods

May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2005

A presentation on the life and career of  
Senator Paul Yuzyk by Borys Sirskyj