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Ellis Island - American Family Immigration History Centre

- this site was created to help people search for and tell stories about the over 22 million passengers and members of ships' crews who came to America through Ellis Island and the Port of New York between 1892 and 1924. Numerous immigrants to Canada transhipped through this port. It is a valuable source of information and I personally was able to trace my grandfather which I had been unable to for the last 20 years. It turns out that the spelling of the town he came from and the spelling of the first name were both wrong, and my requests to the Immigration and Naturalization Service were not successful for this reason. Doing a search with "wild cards" lead to my success.
<http://www.ellisland.org/default.asp>

Biography Assistant - your personal research assistant for writing biographies about your relatives or an autobiography about yourself. Biography Assistant makes it easy for you to record these special family memories because it helps you decide what to write about. That leaves you free to concentrate on the most important part — telling the story! There are several categories to get you started. The service is free: <http://www.genealogy.com/bio/>

May 27, Sun. **"In Search of Identity"**. A concert dedicated to the 10th anniversary of Ukrainian independence), presented by the Ottawa School of Ukrainian Dance and the Svitanok Ukrainian Dance Ensemble. 2 PM. Alumni Theatre,

Carleton University. A dynamic concert involving over 100 performers (from age 4 to adult) in a story-telling genre. For more information or to order tickets, contact Kateryna Shepertycka at 692-5243 or Martha Kloosevych at 731-6227.

Cemetery Project - we are still in the process of completing the Notre Dame Cemetery. At present, we could use a couple more volunteers to work on the other cemeteries in the region. As well, we are seeking information on "strays" (Ukrainians buried in non-Ukrainian cemeteries). Contact Ted Lomatski.

May 29, Tues. **Annual General Meeting of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress** (KYK) Ottawa branch. 7:30 PM. Church hall, 1000 Byron Ave.

June 11, Mon. **Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Friends of Ukraine**, Ottawa chapter. 7:30 PM. Church hall, 952 Green Valley Crescent.

June 13, Wed. **Annual General Meeting of the Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Association of Ottawa (UCPBA)**. 7:00 PM. 1000 Byron Ave. To nominate candidates contact Tamara Petraznyk (798-4226). For information contact Oksana Yarosh (823-5168).

June 14, Thurs. **Ottawans are invited to the opening of an art exhibit in Montreal by artist Laryssa Luhovy.**

5:30 - 9 PM. Espace Parcours, 130 chemin Bates, Suite 101, Town of Mount Royal, Que. The exhibit of the artist's recent large acrylic paintings is from June 12 - 25, 2001. Hours: Mon - Fri. 9:30 - 5:30; Sat. - Sun. 1 - 5 PM; or by appointment with the artist (514) 933-7429. For further info phone (514) 342-5115, or fax (514) 342-0178 or e-mail trajet@cam.org in late May.

UGG-NCR Website

The website continues to be updated, and I will continue to do so over the summer months. If there are any sites that you think I should add, please let me know by eMail at the link on the site. As well, please let me know if any of the links are invalid. Checking is time consuming and sites are constantly changing servers and disappearing. In addition, I hope to do some reorganisation of the site, so if you have any thoughts on the format, please let me know.

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<http://www.geocities.com/uggncr/>

Submissions for Publication

We are actively soliciting information and articles for the Annual Report. Please contact Ted or Myron.

Resource Centre Needs

We are still looking for a donation of a locking metal stationery cabinet, or some type of file cabinet as well as materials for the Resource Centre. Maps of Ukraine from all periods, settlement maps of Canada, census information, local histories, cemetery records, church histories, reference materials, family histories, journals from genealogical societies, general genealogical reference and how-to books are all needed.

Meeting Schedule 2001 - 2002

Our meetings take place on the 4th Tuesday of the month, at 1930h (7:30pm) and are subject to change.

Location:

St John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Shrine
952 Green Valley Drive
Ottawa, Canada

Projected Meeting Dates: (All Tuesdays)

25 Sep 2001
23 Oct 2001
27 Nov 2001
22 Jan 2002
26 Feb 2002
26 Mar 2002
23 Apr 2002
28 May 2002

Miscellaneous

Due to circumstances beyond my control, there were no issues of "*The Ukrainian Genealogist*" for March and April.

Have a safe and happy holiday. See you in September.

Important Dates

Ukrainian Independence Day- August 24th

First Ukrainian Settlers arrive at Montreal - September 7th, 1891