



# Ukrainian Genealogy Group

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The Ukrainian Genealogist

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### October Meeting

The topic for this meeting was "Searching for lost relatives in Ukraine, Sidor's Saga". We viewed the DVD produced by Ancestors in the Attic entitled, *Sidor's Saga* which dealt with the search for the family of their grandfather's brother. Contacts were lost in the 1930s.

In this program, members of the family traveled from Canada to Ukraine and were able to locate the family of their grandfather's brother. They were fortunate to use the services of an archivist and a historian to locate the daughter of this lost brother. In the end, they had to knock on the doors of several houses in the village to locate this daughter.

Although this may be described as an elaborate method to locate family members in Ukraine, there are other suggested methods which may prove to be useful:

- Telephone books - The UGG has copies of phones books in our library for L'viv
- Discussion sites

<http://genforum.genealogy.com/ukraine/>

Through this site, you can make contact with amateur genealogists in Ukraine who may assist you with your research. Communication is usually in English. These amateur genealogists normally expect some payment for their services.

- Hiring a professional researcher - There are researchers and guides such as Alexander Dunai ([dunai@dunai.lviv.ua](mailto:dunai@dunai.lviv.ua)) who can conduct some research on your behalf however this is a paid service.

- If you know the name of the ancestral village, you can make inquiries and locate the name of the mayor and write to them inquiring about any families in the village with surnames in which you are interested.

The viewing of the DVD was followed by an interesting discussion by members and we thank them for their participation.

### New version of the Canadian Naturalization database

Library and Archives Canada (LAC) has announced the release of a new version of the online database Canadian Naturalization 1915-1951. It now includes digitized images of the lists of names of people who applied for and obtained status as naturalized Canadians between 1932 and 1951; these lists were originally published in the Canada Gazette.

This database is one of the few Canadian genealogical resources specifically designed to benefit researchers having roots other than British. The reference numbers indicated in the database can be used to request copies of the original naturalization records, which are held by Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

The database is available at the following address: [www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/naturalization-1915-1932/index-e.html](http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/naturalization-1915-1932/index-e.html)

Library and Archives Canada thanked the Jewish Genealogical Society of Montreal [<http://jgs-montreal.org/>] and its volunteers, without whom this project would not have happened.

### **Change in UGG-NCR Email**

Please note that our current email address is now being discontinued by our service provider (canada.com).

Going forward, you can contact us at our new email address:

[uggncr1@gmail.com](mailto:uggncr1@gmail.com)

### **The Saskatchewan Virtual War Memorial**

This web site that commemorates Saskatchewan's war dead has been created to supplement the physical War Memorial located on the grounds of the Saskatchewan Legislature in Regina, Saskatchewan.

It is possible to search the database of more than 11,000 war casualties from the First World War, the Second World War, Korea, Afghanistan and peacekeeping missions around the world.

<http://www.svwm.ca/home.htm>

### **Some web sites of interest**

*Kusnyir and Almasy Family History - An American Family*

<http://www.freewebs.com/almasykusnyir/index.htm>

*Saskatchewan Cemeteries Project  
Saskatchewan cemetery transcriptions, gravestone photos and obituaries*

<http://saskcemetery.com/>

*Kenora Ukrainian Genealogy Group (KUGG) - Ancestor Seekers of Kenora, Ontario*

The site was created by Gloria Harvie and includes a photograph of a historical plaque listing the names of all Ukrainians who served in the Canadian Armed Forces from the First World War, Second World War, Korea until Centennial Year 1967. This was a centennial project of the Ukrainian community in Kenora, Ontario.

<http://askgen.ning.com/group/kenoraukrainiangenealogygroupkugg>

### **Community Events**

*November 27, Saturday, 2:30 pm*

Holodomor Commemoration ceremony at the Canadian Tribute to Human Rights Monument at the corner of Elgin and Lisgar streets in Ottawa. Holodomor Commemoration Week (Nov. 22 – 28).

*November 28, Sunday, 12 -3 pm*

Ukrainian Christmas Bazaar at the Ukrainian Orthodox Church hall, 1000 Byron Avenue. Handicrafts, bake sale and much more. Ukrainian hot lunch available. For Information: Liza Malarek 613-830-1472

*December 1, Wednesday 8 pm.*

The Sheptytsky Institute will host a Book Launch with author Myrna Kostash and her new book "Prodigal Daughter: A Journey to Byzantium", at Saint Paul University (Amphitheatre). For information: 613-236-1393, ext 2651.

*December 5, Sunday, 12-3 p.m.*

Ukrainian Christmas Bazaar at the St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Shrine Hall, 952 Green Valley Crescent. Handicrafts, bake sale and much more. Ukrainian hot lunch available. For information: Sally Tchorewski 613-834-4746.

*December 10, Friday, 6 pm,*

Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Association Annual Christmas Dinner & Awards Evening, Marconi Centre, 1026 Baseline Road. Tickets must be reserved; Contact: Frank Cedar at [cedar@sympatico.ca](mailto:cedar@sympatico.ca) (613-523-6724).