

ST. ANDREW'S OUTREACH EXTRA



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The next "Outreach" Newsletter will be distributed on June 28th. This will be our Summer Issue (July/August). Please let us know if you have anything to include.

-Outreach Staff

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... received year to date total \$100,229. This is a net period income of \$22,331.

20. A report was heard from the Membership Chair. The meeting to discuss consolidation efforts by the Membership, Benevolent, and Wellness Committees is still to occur. The Membership Chair is still searching for a female member to join the Membership Committee. Those interested should contact Ivan Kupchenko, Fr. Victor, or Michael Zukiwsky.

21. A report was heard from the Hospodar outlining recent repairs required to our facility.

22. A verbal report was heard from the Ladies' Auxiliary. Specific announcements made were: CYMK Zustrich will take place at Camp Bar-V-Nok on May 15 – 18; Osvita summer program at St. John's Institute will take place June 28 to August 3; St. Elia's Parish is sponsoring a lecture "Massacre of Cossacks at Lienz" on May 15.

Posters are posted for all of these programs.

23. Fr. Victor provided a verbal report. Fr. Victor pointed out that Fr. Volodymyr was of great assistance to him during the busy Lenten period, and an honorarium is to be given. Thank-you Fr. Volodymyr!

24. The Canadian Revenue Agency is offering a webinar (online seminar) on June 3 about charities. Registration is online at the following website <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/tx/chrts/cmmnctn/sssns/wbnsr-eng.html>.

25. Due to unfortunate timing and schedule of the planning committee and church activities, the family weekend at Bar-V-Nok should not occur either on May 30, 31 nor Jun 6, 7. Families interested in assisting in the organization of the weekend either later this year or next June should contact Gordon Ostapchuk or Michael Zukiwsky.

26. Congregational singing was discussed and more details are required prior to its implementation.

27. The membership is reminded of the upcoming Board and All-Committees meeting scheduled for May 20.

28. The topic of services provided to non-members was discussed. The treasurer, not the Parish priest, is to discuss payments with the non-members for the use of the church, service of the cantor, choir, etc.

29. The vice-president presented a notice of motion about church enhancements.

30. The **next Board meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2009.**

On May 12, Fr. Victor called to advise me of his transfer to assume the position of Chancellor of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada in Winnipeg. Fr. Victor celebrated his last Divine Liturgy at St. Andrew's on May 24. Truly an upheaval at such a pace! In between those dates, a number of phone calls were made, the Board of Management met on May 18 to discuss the situation, and, after a meeting with His Grace, Bishop Ilarion on May 19, and with his blessing, ...



CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS



Glory to Jesus Christ!

On behalf of the students and parents, a very sincere thank you is extended to Fr. Victor and Dobr. Marusia for their continuous spiritual guidance, dedication and support of our Church School Program. Through your ministry, the students have displayed a spiritual growth and better understanding of Orthodoxy as a *Way of Life*. For this we are most appreciative and truly blessed.

We pray that God's Grace be with Fr. Victor and Dobr. Marusia and their family as they take on their new position at the Consistory. We will miss them. At this time, I would like to thank the students for coming to worship and participate as altar boys, myrrh bearers and for the presentation to Fr. Victor and Dobr. Marusia. Your notes and pictures will be cherished.

Thank you students, teachers and parents for your involvement during the Church School term. Even though we are taking a break from Church School, continue to come and worship with us. We need constant prayers and being in communion with God.

Upcoming events:

June 7th — Pentecost — students will participate

August 30th & September 6th — Registration

September 13th — First day of classes & Grandparents' Day

Yours in Christ,
-Olga Alexandruk (780-998-2356)



President's Report ...

(Continued from p. 1 of this publication)

... we sent a letter to the Chancellor listing some concerns that we have including who will be replacing Fr. Victor in the interim and permanently. Nonetheless, at a luncheon in the Tillie Kurysh Hall on May 24, we celebrated Fr. Victor and Dobr. Marusia and their 14 years of dedicated contribution to the life of St. Andrew's. We presented Fr. and Dobr. a gift of a hand-written icon of St. Andrew — it is being written currently and will be completed in mid

-June. We pray that God will provide them with strength and wisdom to overcome challenges placed in front of them in their new assignments. The reasoning and details surrounding such a hasty move remain unclear as we've had no official communication from the Consistory in this regard. Discussions with His Grace, Bishop Ilarion continue at the time of writing this report and as information is received, we will attempt to keep everyone informed. No doubt, we will miss Fr. Victor and Dobr. Marusia.

However, as a Parish, we must move on and get over whatever feelings of sadness that we have. God provides challenges to us so that we may overcome them, making us better and stronger people. As difficult as it may seem currently, the membership of St. Andrew's will continue to function and thrive. We need to continue to grow strong as a Parish. *Voistynnu Voskres! Indeed He is Risen!*

Michael Zukiwsky
Parish President



St. Andrew's Annual Men's Club & Ladies Auxiliary BBQ

Monday, June 15th

Refreshments: 5:30 p.m.

Supper: 6:00 p.m.

Cost: \$20.00 per person

For more information
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Wally Yadlowski
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Please confirm your
attendance by June 8th!



Fr. Victor and Dobr. Marusia pictured above at Father's "Good-bye Luncheon" held on Sunday, May 24th, at St. Andrew's. Many thanks to the ladies (and gentlemen) who assisted with the organization of this event on such short notice!