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St. Andrew's Outreach Newsletter

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An Opportunity to Ask Questions of Our Faith

A wooden box with a slot in its lid continues to sit at the rear of the church. The intent of this box is to receive questions written on pieces of paper. The questions are to be about our Orthodox faith or about our Ukrainian celebration of same, or other faith based issues that are puzzling you. Fr. Yuriy opens the box monthly, reviews the questions within, and will answer them to all attending members during one of our fellowship sessions after the celebration of Divine Liturgy on Sundays. After all, if it is a question to you, it is probably a question for other members, too; answering your question provides an opportunity for Fr. Yuriy to teach us all about our faith! If your question hasn't been answered, please have patience, Fr. Yuriy can only answer it and others when there are no other activities planned for the fellowship. During the Easter Lenten period, and in May, the graveside services have and will occupy much of Fr. Yuriy's time after Divine Liturgy, so he'll return to answering questions and the teaching opportunities in June. By the way, the box is locked and Fr. Yuriy has the key, so you can choose to remain anonymous when you ask a question.

Yours truly,
Michael Zukiwsky, Sustainability Committee Chair

50th Anniversary of St. Andrew's Ladies Auxiliary

St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Ladies Auxiliary is pleased to announce the celebration of our 50th Anniversary and ask that you mark your calendars! We are inviting all Parish members and special guests to join us on the following Sundays marking the history of our organization.

Sunday, September 18, 2011 - Divine Liturgy, Fellowship Luncheon, Honouring of Founding Members & Book Launch: *Labour of Love; A 50 Year History of St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Ladies Auxiliary*.

Sunday, September 25, 2011 - Divine Liturgy, Memorial Service/Panakhida/Панахида honouring reposed Ladies Auxiliary members through 50 years. Family members as well as all parishioners are encouraged to attend. A Memorial Luncheon will be served.

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Monday, September 19, 2011 - **50th AGM** (Annual General Meeting) preceded by a Supplicatory Service/Moleben/Молебень and Supper. We look forward to hosting all current and prospective Ladies Auxiliary members. The Men's Club members are cordially invited to join us for the Moleben and Supper.

- Lesia Perritt, President

Lost and Found

A **Lost and Found** box is located under the seat of the parson's bench beside the elevator in the Cultural Building entrance. If you are missing gloves, a cap, etc. please check through the items.

Hanging in the coatroom of the Church entrance, there are 2 ladies' short, black, summer car coats, a long green summer coat and matching scarf, and a long red and black floral scarf. If these items belong to you, please claim them. +

After the Blessing of the Pascha, a visitor lost the cover for her basket. It has embroidered pysanka and flowers with the words Khrystos Voskres (in Ukrainian) on it. The edges are crocheted. It is of great sentimental value as her elderly Mother had embroidered it. If anyone has found the cover, please contact St. Andrew's Sobor at 780-469-1463.



Easter Floral Fund

Donation List



The following people made memorial donations toward friends/family members in general:

Kay Elko	Jerry & Lil Cebryk	Alex & Pauline Lysak	Jonathan & Jackie Alexandruk	Ron & Wilma Plishka
Joanne Chizen	Jennie Pool	Olga Zapernick	Martha & Andres Arabski	Michael & Gloria Gilyshyn
Eva Stilchuk	Larry & Jaclyn Wardrop	Mike Wasylasko	Marshall & Mary Boratynec	Orest & Mickey Samycia
Halyna Shuyko	Walter Hudyma	John Harasymuk	Michael & Olga Alexandruk	Cherisse Killick-Dzenick
Eileen Ursuliak	Maria Derewianka	Victor & Diane Pysyk	Wayne & Gloria Franchuk	Peter & Joan Markowski
Lessia Slipchuk	Phyllis Fedorak	Evan & Patty Zukiwski	George & Zoria Shenkariuk	Steve & Joan Slobodian
Nestor Chorney	Maria Popiwchak	Orest Zavediuk	Eugenia & Michael Hnatiw	Ronald & Cathy Yeremiy

The following people made specific memorial donations:

Betty Wolanski/Sheldon/Rob —	Peter Wolanski	William & Anne Spilchen —	grandson Bradley Lafleur
William & Mary Dymianiw —	Dutchak & Dymianiw families	Steve & Emilie Gorgichuk —	John & Pelahia Chmilar, Dan & Anastasia Gorgichuk, Gerald Kostyniuk, John Kostyniuk, Fred Gorgichuk, & Klaus Gorgichuk
Ollie Sluzar —	parents & grandparents	Eva Wengreniuk —	husband George
Georgina Alexadruk —	George & Martha Alexandruk	Russell & Joanna Dzenick —	Nick & Tillie Dzenick, William & Anne Scherban
Sandra Hohol —	Harry Hohol	Nancy Sawchuk —	Metro Sawchuk & family
Vi Grygus —	Mike & Mary Rurak	Ron & Helen Stoski —	John & Cassie Stoski
Irene Bezruki —	parents & husband Michael	Mary Ambrosie —	Eli
Robert Shewchuk —	Joyce	Gary & Kathy Buchanan —	mother, Lorraine Burlie & families
Elizabeth Burak —	parents, husband Steve, Fred & Annie Antoniuk	Eugene & Ollie Luchka —	parents
Natalie Karbashewski —	Ambrose & Olga Perun	George & Vera Tkachyk —	Tkachyk & Nychyk families
Stephanie McNee —	Lloyd, & Michael & Mary Sedor, George Donovan, Anne Fleming	Rose Marie Danyiuk —	Pete & Kate Chimko
William & Evelyn Lysak —	parents	Benny & Olga Elkow —	parents
June & George Gushaty —	Gushaty & Lakusta families	Daria & Andrew Hladyshevsky -	Katherine Luciw
Gordon & Marion Ostapchuk —	Michael & Vera Fedorow, Steve Ostapchuk, Adeline Golda	Katherine Bayda —	husband, parents & sister
Perry Zaparnick —	uncle Nick Zaparyniuk		
Olga & Nick Zukiwski —	Radomsky & Zukiwski families		



Your Future Participation on the Board? Definitely!

In the past, it seems that the Nominating Committee experiences a challenging task of filling the slate of officers for the upcoming year's Board. In January and February of this year, I had the pleasure of chatting with a number of Parish members while I was trying to fill the slate of officers. Unfortunately, I, too, found that task challenging, because many of the members I contacted indicated that they were not willing to participate on the Board. Some indicated that they were unaware of what takes place during a meeting, what the responsibilities of the Board positions were, didn't have the time to volunteer for participation on the Board, or thought that there were more qualified members within the membership than themselves to volunteer for the Board's participation.

I take this opportunity to provide some information to the membership about Board's activities and responsibilities. Hopefully, by the end of this article, the membership will feel less inclined to decline the opportunity to participate on the Board in the future.

In general, the Board members are the managers of the Parish facilities and secular activities. We do not need to know everything about the church religious practices; we leave that to our Parish Priest. Below is very brief summary of the elected Board members' responsibilities.

President – is responsible to the membership for ensuring that all issues that creep up regarding our facility are dealt with. The President does not do everything; rather he ensures that all things are attended to that need attending. He utilizes the Board and committee members to assist in the handling of the issues. He chairs all meetings and tracks all issues.

Vice-President – is expected to take over as President next. He learns of the current issues and ensures continuity to the next Board when he assumes the President's role. Since he will be President next, he chairs the current year's Planning and Budget Committee to determine the budget and the Parish's committees' activities for the next year. He will chair meetings when the President is not able to do so.

Secretary – is responsible to record the motions of the Board meetings and types the minutes for the next meeting. On occasion, he creates letters on behalf of the Board.

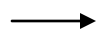
Treasurer – is responsible to record the finances of the Parish and maintain that record of finances; pays the bills and deposits all donations. He provides monthly accounting of the financial incomes and outgoes.

Assistant Treasurer – is responsible to enter the donations into the computer on a weekly basis and tracks members' donations.

Hospodar – is responsible for the maintenance of the facility. If something physical needs completing, the Hospodar organizes a crew of volunteers or an outside contractor to complete the physical task. There is a list of outside contractors that the Parish uses regularly.

Membership Chair – is responsible to chat with our members regularly and bring any issues to the Parish Priest or Board's attention. The membership chair follows up on potential new members and works with the Assistant Treasurer on members' contributions.

You do not have to be perfect to be on the Board (Lord knows that's a particularly good thing for especially me!). All that is required to fulfill a Board position is a willingness to work and accept responsibility for that work for your personal benefit and to the benefit of your fellow Parish members for the next year. You are a part of a team of 11 (those elected and the Parish Priest, the Past-President, and the Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary Presidents), so you will have to be a listener, one who compromises, and have respect for the other Board members. Sometimes, you will agree with the other Board members' opinions, and sometimes you will agree to disagree. God gave us all a brain to use, and we cannot judge another's opinions just because they differ from our own. Above all, you are Christian so patience is something to always improve upon. You will have to exercise self control to stay on the topic of the meeting – keep your stories for after the meeting! . . .



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Meetings are monthly and last about 3 hours; that may sound long, but that is relatively short compared to other Parishes! In order to find out what we talk about and decide at a meeting, I invite you to request a copy of the meeting minutes so you can see for yourself. If you wish to attend a meeting in person, just ask.

This is not only my Parish, or the Board's Parish – it is your Parish, too! Will you share in its work? We are all busy people. However, you control your personal schedules and other volunteer activities. When will you make the time to participate on the Parish Board?

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Zukiwsky, Chair, Nominating Committee

CAMP BAR-V-NOK PIGEON LAKE

Ukrainian Teen Leadership Camp

July 17-21, 2011

Ages 13-17

A great way to meet other
 Ukrainian-Canadians!

For more information,

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Church Clean-Up

A very gracious Thank-You is extended to those that came out to assist in cleaning the church for Easter. Your combined efforts helped in getting a very large job done in a few short hours. **Thank-you to:**

Mary Dymianiw

Anna Keech

Alex Lysak

Stephanie McNe

Gordon Ostapchuk

Orest Samycia

George Shenkariuk

Fr. Yuriy Sucheuan

George Tkachyk

Betty Wolanski

June Gushaty

Ollie Luchka

Bill Lysak

Marion Ostapchuk

Lesia Perritt

Deona Serna

Robert Shewchuk

Vera Tkachyk

Mike Wasylasko

Margaret Wozimirsky

By the Mercy of God

Archbishop of Constantinople-New Rome and Ecumenical Patriarch

To the Plenitude of the Church Grace, Peace and Mercy

From the Savior Christ Risen in Glory

Beloved children in the Lord,

Once again, in a spirit of joy and peace, we address you with the delightful and hopeful greeting: "Christ is Risen!"

The occurrences and events of our time may not seem to justify the exultation of our greeting. The natural destruction caused by seismic tremors and oceanic swells, together with the lurking devastation from possible nuclear explosion, as well as the human sacrifices resulting from military conflict and terrorist action, reveal our world to be in horrible torment and anguish from the pressure of the natural and spiritual forces of evil.

Nevertheless, the Resurrection of Christ is indeed real and grants to faithful Christians the certainty – and to all humanity the possibility – of transcending the adverse consequences of natural calamity and spiritual perversity.

Let us approach the sanctity of the Risen Christ in order, through His grace, to calm the natural and moral waves that trouble our world today.

May the grace of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ be with you all, beloved children in the Lord.

Amen.

EXCERPT FROM *Holy Pascha 2011*

+ *Bartholomew of Constantinople*

Fervent supplicant for all

before the Risen Christ

