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Created in 1998, the Prairie Centre for the Study of Ukrainian Heritage (PCUH) is an academic unit of St. Thomas More College, University of Saskatchewan. As an anchor for Ukrainian Studies at the University of Saskatchewan, the mission of the PCUH is to support undergraduate teaching and graduate supervision in this area, while engaging in research programs and projects that help promote a wider understanding and appreciation of the Ukrainian experience in Canada and abroad. Conceived as a community-university partnership and supported by operational funds as well as internal and external grants, the Centre is seen as an important link between the University of Saskatchewan as a major public post-secondary institution in the country and the Ukrainian-Canadian community

Celebrating Ukrainian Student Life on the U of S Campus

In recent years, the Ukrainian student presence on campus has been reinvigorated – a result of the revitalization of the University of Saskatchewan Ukrainian Students' Association (USUSA). The executive has doubled in size and the group is proud to have a total of 55 student members; the largest number to date. This would not have been possible without the institutional and financial support of the PCUH and, especially, the guidance and advice provided by Professor Nadya-Foty Oneschuk, a PCUH Faculty Affiliate. Her role as faculty advisor has been of tremendous help to the student association.

The support we receive from the PCUH has resulted in an increase in the number of events and initiatives that the USUSA has organized this year. This includes two *varenyky* sales; the *Vusopad* fundraiser – a Ukrainian “Movember” event featuring a *vusa* judging panel (with proceeds going toward prostate cancer research); Christmas caroling; a bottle drive; a clothing

drive for an orphanage in Mariupol; a *Zabava* that hosted over 200 people and raised \$6000 for humanitarian relief in Ukraine; a networking event with the Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Association; and, finally, a number of cultural workshops, including how to bake *kolachi* and write *pysanky*. This year also marks the first time in decades that the USUSA will send representatives to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) conference in Montreal.

One of our most cherished events is the Holodomor Awareness Week, which we are privileged to co-host with the PCUH. Together we hold a series of events each November to inform the campus community about the famine that was



USUSA Executive with PCUH Faculty Advisor Prof. Nadya Foty-Oneschuk

engineered and concealed by the Soviet regime. This year these included an annual on-campus vigil service that took place in the Lesya Ukrainka Garden, as well as a film night where English-language documentaries were screened, detailing the causes and ramifications of the Holodomor. Professors Natalia Khanenko-Friesen and Bohdan Kordan graciously offered their expertise by speaking at these events.

This year we also organized an event in solidarity with the political prisoner Nadiya Savchenko

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U of S Ukrainian Students, cont'd.

on the occasion of International Women's Day. Next year we hope to collaborate with the PCUH in the organization of a panel discussion to facilitate dialogue and provide scholarly perspectives on the issue of the Holodomor, as well as give support to a graduate student roundtable on Canada-Ukraine relations.

I encourage you to take a closer look at the following information, which highlights the extensive and invaluable academic and community contributions of the PCUH. The Centre's work helps create opportunities for us, the students, to become better local and global citizens while also enabling us to explore and celebrate our common

Ukrainian heritage and culture. On behalf of the USUSA, I wish to thank the PCUH for its continued support of our activities and to thank those who make the PCUH possible, including our community. We look forward to further cooperation and even greater success in the future.

Connor Moen, USUSA President



Each year brings a new class of incoming students and the departure of the

seniors. With students coming and going, there is much uncertainty. Questions arise. Will the new group contribute to university life in a way that is inspiring? Will the departure of the senior students affect the energy and verve of those who remain? Different forces shape each year and each generation brings with it a different set of hopes and ambitions. All we can do is ensure that the dreams and aspirations of every generation are supported.

Over the years, the PCUH has worked with a great many students. Smart, curious and energetic, they have enthusiastically embraced and celebrated the heritage of Ukraine, on and off campus. Then as now, they have proven to be selfless leaders and avid contributors in promoting the rich history and culture that is Ukraine. Throughout the years, the PCUH has sup-

ported and stood by them in their endeavours. This speaks to our role at the Centre to guide and encourage each generation so that they may discover, communicate, and even add to the Ukrainian experience.

The mission and mandate of the PCUH, however, is not without challenges. University structures and programs are being reorganized. The expectations of students are changing. Funding is scarce. The PCUH is quietly addressing and adapting to these new circumstances by providing and assisting students, undergraduate and graduate alike, with innovative academic opportunities that will enhance their university experience. The Centre also supports student-led activities, facilitating knowledge and an appreciation of those issues and traditions that are deemed personally meaningful in understanding the Ukrainian experience. And, finally, through the work of its faculty, programs and initiatives, the PCUH offers a vibrant and vital context, reassuring students that their interests and ambitions are valid.

As I look back on the life of the Centre this past year, I am deeply impressed by the work and enthusiasm of our students. They have initiated projects and organized events. They have participated in and led proceedings. Raising awareness and helping the community, they have shown tremendous responsibility. As faculty working with the students, we at the PCUH are heartened by their commitment and energy. It reaffirms for us the important work we are doing.

The PCUH is here for this generation and the next – to help students explore ideas and issues that are central to an understanding of Ukrainian identity, culture and history. Although students come and go, the hope remains the same. It is the hope that as bright young men and women, they may go forward and succeed with a knowledge and confidence in who they are and what they are interested in – the result, if only in some small measure, of the work of the PCUH and its faculty.

Bobdan Kordan, Ph.D.

Dr. Mark Von Hagen: 2015 Mohyla Lecturer

Professor Mark Von Hagen delivered the 18th annual Mohyla Lecture – *Between Ukrainian Diasporas in Germany: Reflections on Teaching Modern Ukrainian History*. Teaching in Germany in the summer of 2014, Prof. Von Hagen shared his story of how he found himself transmitting the historical narrative of Ukraine's independence struggle – produced largely by activist-researchers in the diaspora – to a new generation of diaspora Ukrainian students. He found that many of these young Ukrainians, recently displaced, were unfamiliar with this rich legacy and wrestled with the "lessons learned" against the backdrop of the ongoing Russian-Ukrainian war. Reflecting on his experience, Professor Von Hagen spoke of his role as a historian in communicating the importance of the past for the future and the role of diaspora institutions in the West to carry on the tradition of scholarship and research in light of Ukraine's uncertain future.

Professor Mark Von Hagen is widely published and has held a variety of distinguished administrative and academic positions including Director of the Harriman Institute and Chair of the Department of History at Columbia University. More recently, Prof. Von Hagen served as Chair of the Department of History and Director of the School of Historical, Philosophical and Religious Studies at Arizona State University. Currently, he is Professor of History and Global Studies at Arizona State University and Dean, Faculty of Philosophy, Ukrainian Free University (Munich).



ON-CAMPUS NEWS

UKRAINIAN STUDIES RECEPTION 2014

On September 25 2014, the PCUH in association with the STM Dean's Office co-hosted the annual Ukrainian Studies Reception. The purpose of the reception was to introduce those students taking Ukrainian courses to various aspects of Ukrainian Studies programming on the University of Saskatchewan campus. Representatives from the STM Dean's Office and Ukrainian Studies faculty spoke briefly about the Minor in Ukrainian Studies, scholarships and awards, Ukrainian language courses on campus, Spring Session in Ukraine study abroad program, and PCUH programs and activities. The president of the U of S Ukrainian Students Association, Connor Moen, also promoted the club and its activities, encouraging membership and announcing their full calendar of events for the 2014-15 academic year. Finally, acknowledged at the reception were the 2012-13 Ukrainian scholarship recipients, who were identified in our 2014 newsletter.

The PCUH wishes to once again heartily congratulate the newest crop of Ukrainian scholarship recipients for the 2013-14 academic year:

The Ukrainian Self-Reliance Association/TYC-Steppe Branch Ukrainian Language Awards: Tyla Betke (UKR 114), Ashley Halko-Addley (UKR 114), Katherine Prytula (UKR 117), Megan Ekstrand (UKR 117), Ashley Pearse (UKR 214), Alex Wojcibowski (UKR 217)

The Rose Semko Hrynychuk Scholarship: Marnie Howlett
Professor and Mrs. J. Rudewsky Scholarship: Maria Kowaluk
Annie Palynchuk Scholarship: Maria Kowaluk



Prof. Bohdan Kordan addresses the students on behalf of the PCUH.

MA THESIS DEFENSE ON THE HISTORY OF THE UOCC

Yuriy Kirushok, an international graduate student from Ukraine, successfully defended his MA thesis "The Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada: Changing Identities (1988-2013)" in the Department of Religion and Culture at the University of Saskatchewan. The research was conducted under supervision of PCUH Associate Dr. Natalia Khanenko-Friesen. The thesis is dedicated to the modern history of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada. Drawing on an analysis of the major events in the history of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada and fieldwork at the Holy Trinity Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral parish in Saskatoon, Mr. Kirushok's research explores the institutional response to sociocultural change and examines how institutional practices and strategies of adaptation impact the spiritual lives of church followers.



Yuriy Kirushok at his MA thesis defense in the fall of 2014.

PCUH LECTURE: SHEVCHENKO'S *KOBZAR*

PCUH welcomed Mr. Peter Fedynsky to STM on October 23. Promoting his English-language translation of Taras Shevchenko's *Kobzar* on a North American book tour, Mr. Fedynsky was invited to deliver a lecture on Ukraine's national bard, his work and legacy. The event was co-hosted with the Ukrainian Student's Association. Speaking to an audience comprised mostly of students, Mr. Fedynsky noted that, as a foundational text, the *Kobzar* has not only played an important role in the development of Ukraine's written language and Ukrainian literature but also in galvanizing Ukrainian identity. Reading excerpts in translation of the bard's poetry, Fedynsky explained the nuances and difficulties in capturing the lyricism and intent of Shevchenko. He also linked the ideas that underpinned Shevchenko's work to revolutionary events in present-day Ukraine, when the symbol of Shevchenko as a cultural hero has assumed new meaning and significance for the current generation of Ukrainians.

Peter Fedynsky gained his translating experience as an international broadcaster with the Ukrainian Service at the *Voice of America* over a dynamic and interesting 34-year career. His edition is the first ever English translation of the complete *Kobzar*.

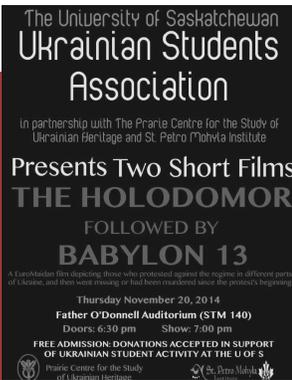


Peter Fedynsky reads excerpts from his newly-translated *Kobzar* for the audience.



USUSA & HOLODOMOR AWARENESS WEEK

The University of Saskatchewan Ukrainian Students Association (USUSA) organized a November event to promote awareness of the Holodomor, the Terror-Famine that claimed the lives of millions of innocents in 1932-33 during the height of Stalinist repression in Ukraine. Two short films were shown: a documentary that conveyed survivors' accounts of the horror and another short documentary regarding the revolutionary events on the Maidan. The Maidan, a movement that resisted a regime that threatened Ukraine's national existence, traces its origins to the national tragedy of the Holodomor. The USUSA honors the memory of the millions lost by taking on awareness project and committing to making this an annual event. Donations collected will be used in support of USUSA



U OF S GRADUATE CONFERENCE: PRESENTATION ON CANADA-UKRAINE RELATIONS

On March 4, Leland MacLachlan, a University of Saskatchewan MA candidate in the Department of Political Studies, presented a précis of his thesis work at the Graduate Student Association Conference "Curiosity." Outlining his topic – the rationale, objectives, and nature of Canada's bilateral electoral observation missions to Ukraine – Mr. MacLachlan highlighted both the importance and nature of the initiative in understanding Canada's foreign policy toward Ukraine. He also shared with the audience his interest in the subject, noting not only his own Ukrainian heritage but also the recent events in Ukraine as a source of inspiration. The work is being conducted as part of the PCUH project "Canada-Ukraine Relations."



Leland MacLachlan with M.A. Graduate Supervisor, Prof. Kordan.

PCUH ESSAY PRIZE AWARDED

Mr. Elliot Cho was presented with this year's PCUH Essay Prize in Ukrainian Studies. The prize was awarded on the basis of his essay *The 'Novorossiya' Project: Russian Expansionism in Ukraine* submitted for the course POLS 465 *Nationalism and the International System*. The prize is presented annually to a student who demonstrates a deep understanding of the subject matter and is able to present the material effectively and clearly.

There was unanimity amongst Mr. Cho's professors who all commented positively on the calibre of his work in other Ukrainian Studies courses, including Ukrainian language, noting that it was of a consistently high quality. Mr. Cho, who will be graduating shortly, plans to pursue a joint JD/MA degree in law and international politics.



Elliot Cho, recipient of the 2015 PCUH Essay Prize.

PCUH would like to extend sincere, warm thanks to the following individuals for their generous donations over the past year:

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Rev. Vladimir Mudri	Rev. Andrew Muzyka	Ms. Stephanie Ortynsky
Mr. Alan Rowney	Mr. Sergiy and Mrs. Oksana Stepanenko	Mr. Viktor Turyk

PCUH in the Community

PCUH TRAVELLING EXHIBIT IN EDMONTON, VICTORIA, CALGARY

The PCUH exhibit “Money, Sovereignty and Power: The Paper Currency of Revolutionary Ukraine, 1917-1920,” curated by Dr. Bohdan Kordan and organized by the PCUH in co-



-operation with the Ukrainian Museum of Canada, has travelled to a number of venues in Western Canada during the 2014-15 academic year. After a number of showings in 2013-14, the

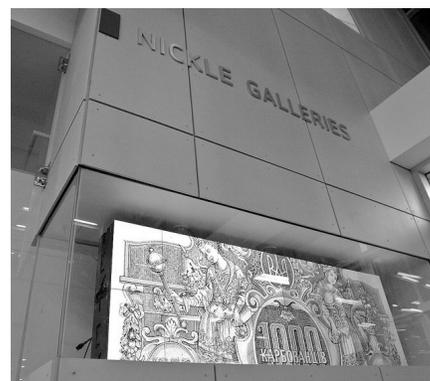
exhibit made its way to Edmonton, appearing at the St John's Institute Cultural Arts Centre from June 1 to July 31. The exhibit then moved on to the University of Victoria's Maltwood Gallery (August 22 – November 3) and subsequently to the Nickle Arts Museum and Gallery at the University of Calgary (January 15 – April 4). The exhibit, which explores the issue of Ukrainian sovereignty and the efforts at symbolic representation on paper notes produced by the various governments of Ukraine during the revolutionary period, 1917-1920, was enthusiastically received at each of these venues by the local Ukrainian and wider communities.

Speaking at the Maltwood Gallery opening, Prof. Serhy Yekelchuk stated: “We at the University of Victoria are pleased to host this extraordinary exhibition of artifacts, which date from a century ago. The events of that distant past – the struggle for Ukraine’s sovereignty and independence – are reflected in these currency notes. They are especially poignant in light of recent events. As a result, we are reminded of the special significance of these historical objects and take care to understand their deeper meaning and significance. We are much indebted to Prof. Kordan and the PCUH for making the exhibition available to

our university community and the wider public of Victoria. We look forward to co-operating in the future with the Prairie Centre to help promote an understanding of the Ukrainian experience both here in Canada and abroad.”

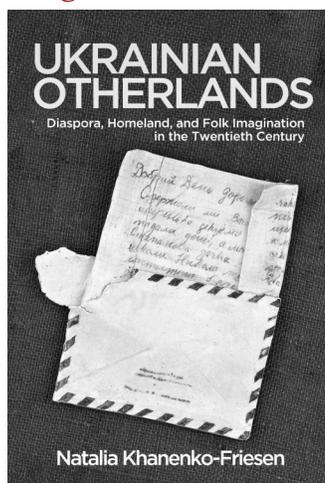
Michele Hardy, Curator of Decorative Arts at the Nickle Galleries, observed, “This is a fantastic opportunity for us. The exhibit compliments our strength in numismatics here at the University of Calgary while showcasing the currency produced during Ukraine’s turbulent history of revolution and war, 1917-1920. That these items survived through the ages is simply remarkable. We are happy to have worked with the PCUH to bring this wonderful travelling exhibit to the University of Calgary.”

The exhibition was also made possible because of the generous support of numerous other local partner associations and agencies. These included the Alberta Society for the Advancement of Ukrainian Studies, Ukrainian Canadian Professional Business Association - Calgary Branch, Ukrainian Canadian Congress - Calgary Branch, Ukrainian Student Association at the University of Calgary, University of Victoria Ukrainian Studies Legacy Fund, and the Ukrainian Studies Society of Vancouver Island.



The exhibit is scheduled to appear next at the Galt Museum in Lethbridge and the Godfrey Dean Art Gallery in Yorkton.

Congratulations to Prof. Khanenko-Friesen!



Two publications by Prof. Natalia Khanenko-Friesen are scheduled to appear in 2015. These include a monograph titled *Ukrainian Otherlands: Diaspora, Homeland and Folk Imagination in the 20th Century* (University of Wisconsin Press, 2015) and a co-edited collection of essays with Gelinda Grinchenko *Reclaiming the Personal: Oral History in Postsocialist Europe* (University of Toronto Press, 2015).

The PCUH congratulates Dr. Khanenko-Friesen on this tremendous accomplishment.

Launch of PCUH Oral History Online Project

Under the direction of Prof. Natalia Khanenko-Friesen, the PCUH Oral History Program entered a new phase of development with the launch of an online digital archive, which serves as a repository for interviews conducted with those who experienced village life in Soviet Ukraine during the turbulent 1920-30s. The website, the result of the partnership of a number of research/technology groups, was officially launched on April 25, 2015 at a meeting of the International Association for the Study of Nationalities, Columbia University, New York.

Visit the archive at the following address:
<http://drc.usask.ca/projects/pcuh/transformation>



USUSA ACTIVITIES IN 2015



USUSA in solidarity with Nadiya Savchenko on International Women's Day at the Lesya Ukrainka Garden on campus.

The University of Saskatchewan Ukrainian Students Association has been extremely busy both on campus and in the local community, especially in the winter semester. They began the term by caroling during the Ukrainian Christmas holidays as a

means to fundraise for its many activities. The group's efforts were then focused on planning their "Zabava Night" – a fundraiser for humanitarian aid in Ukraine. The first event of its kind for the USUSA, the executive executed a successful dinner/dance fundraiser, attracting over 200 guests for the evening. Local performers and businesses donated their time, effort and talent to this worthy cause. A sum of nearly \$6000 was raised on behalf of those in need in Ukraine. On March 8th, International Women's Day, the USUSA cooperated with the Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Saskatoon Branch and PCUH to organize an awareness and solidarity rally for Nadiya Savchenko, a political prisoner detained in Russia. This event was held at the Lesya Ukrainka plaza on the University of Saskatchewan campus.

The PCUH is proud to continue its support of USUSA, both institutionally and financially. The USUSA has grown significantly in the past few years and has contributed greatly to Ukrainian community life on and off campus.

STM'S SPRING SESSION IN UKRAINE AND THE PCUH

Spring Session in Ukraine, St. Thomas More College's undergraduate study abroad program, took place this year from May 5 to June 5, 2015. Cancelled



SSU 2015 participants at TNPU: (L to R) Marci Wuschenny, Samara Sawchuk, Connor Moen, Carly Wuschenny, Dr. Natalia Khanenko-Friesen (SSU Faculty), and Katherine Prytula.

in 2014 because of security concerns, the program was approved to run this year in co-operation with STM's university partner – *Ternopil National Pedagogical University*. The program enables students to take a combination of U of S language and culture courses for university credit, while living in home-stay families for a full linguistic and cultural immersion experience. The PCUH support for the program included three travel bursaries at \$500 each granted to participants on the basis of merit and need. Prof. Nadya Foty-Oneschuk, PCUH Affiliate, served as coordinator.

Registered in the 2015 *Spring Session*, USUSA President Connor Moen commented advance of the program, "These classes will complete the credits needed for my Ukrainian Studies Minor, as

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well as provide me with the distinction of being a Ukrainian language speaker – a title I have vied for since the age of 14." Samara Sawchuk felt that her participation in this year's SSU program "will give insight into how our ancestors lived. I strongly believe that this will, and should, influence my own life and choices. I want to make those choices with as fully-formed a story as I can."

STM FACULTY SEMINAR SERIES

The Faculty Seminar Series at St. Thomas More College was created in 2006 under the sponsorship of the Dean's Office. The series offers a regular opportunity for STM faculty to share their latest projects with colleagues across the college and university, while seeking to stimulate new and interdisciplinary collaborations, particularly in those academic areas in which STM offers distinctive programming. In 2014-15, Prof. Natalia Khanenko-Friesen and Prof. Bohdan Kordan, PCUH faculty, presented on topics relating to their areas of interest and re-

search: letters between Canada and the 'old country' and politics in Ukraine.

October 14, 2014

Dr. Bohdan Kordan "Ukraine in 2014: What Next?"

February 4, 2015

Dr. Natalia Khanenko-Friesen "In Correspondence with the Homeland: Researching Ukrainian Canadian Letter Writing in the 20th century"

Members' News:

Prof. Natalia Khanenko-Friesen has been very productive this year. Two books will appear this year; a monograph titled *Ukrainian Otherlands: Diaspora, Homeland and Folk Imagination in the 20th Century* (University of Wisconsin Press, 2015) and a co-edited collection of essays *Reclaiming the Personal: Oral History in Postsocialist Europe* (University of Toronto Press, 2015). She has also designed and developed an online archive of the very important 1990s oral history project that focused on the transformations of Ukrainian civil society during the 1920s-30s. The online archive project was undertaken in collabora-

tion with Dr. William Noll, Rodovid Press, the U of S Digital Research Centre, and in association with Harvard University's Ukrainian Research Institute. The online archive showcases audio recordings of 126 interviews conducted with villagers in Ukraine who spoke about their lives during the 1920s and 1930s, a time of dramatic change that included the Holodomor of 1932-33 (<http://drc.usask.ca/projects/pcuh/transformation>). The online archive was officially launched April 25, 2015 at the World Convention of the Association for the Study of Nationalities, Columbia University, New

York.

Dr. Khanenko-Friesen was also appointed Inaugural Editor of the *Engaged Scholar Journal: Community-Engaged Research, Teaching and Learning*. As editor, she developed the journal's website (esj.usask.ca), produced its first issue "Building Engaged Scholarship in Canada" (Vol. 1, Issue 1, April 30, 2015) – both online and in print – and published two short essays in the inaugural issue. In addition to her regular teaching schedule, Dr. Khanenko-Friesen will travel to Ternopil to teach a course "Anthropological Perspectives on Ukraine" as part of STM's SSU program.

NATALIA KHANENKO-FRIESEN

BOHDAN KORDAN

The conflict in Ukraine has attracted much attention and Dr. Bohdan Kordan was called upon to provide commentary and analysis. During the year, Dr. Kordan gave twelve interviews with the BBC, CBC, CTV and Global TV. He also delivered a series of public lectures (six in total) at a number of venues in Saskatoon. Additionally, he participated in March at an international symposium at the University of Alberta marking the anniversary of the Maidan, delivering the paper "Ukraine and the Politics of Change: Origin, Meaning and Significance of the Maidan."

August 2014 marked the centenary of the start of WWI and the implementation of the

War Measures Act. Prof. Kordan was requested to speak at the local unveiling of a commemorative plaque on August 22, which marked the event. On October 27 he was further asked to deliver a formal speech at the unveiling of a bronze plaque at the Eaton Internment site outside of Saskatoon, entitled "And We Remember." Both events led to interviews with local news outlets: CBC, CTV, Global TV, Shaw News, and CKOM. Prof Kordan was also invited to deliver a paper titled "The Enemy Alien Experience in Canada during the Great War: Towards an Understanding" at a national symposium that took place in Banff, October 17-18 and a

paper on internment and diplomacy in Canada at the international conference

"Internment in the First World War: A Mass Global Phenomenon" held May 12-14 at Britain's Imperial War Museum. His essay "They Will be Dangerous: Security and the Control of Enemy Aliens in Canada, 1914," will appear in the prestigious State Trial Series produced by the Osgoode Society for Canadian Legal History – B. Wright, S. Binnie and E. Tucker (eds.), *Canadian State Trials, Vol. IV: Security, Dissent and the Limits of Tolerance in War and Peace, 1914-1939* (University of Toronto Press, 2015).

Professor Nadya Foty-Oneschuk has continued with her teaching and administrative work during this past academic year. Once again, Prof. Foty-Oneschuk taught all beginner and intermediate Ukrainian language courses, again seeing high enrollments in each of them. She also received a fourth consecutive nomination with honourable mention for the STM Teaching Excellence Award. Among the many successes in the classroom, Prof. Foty-Oneschuk was able to integrate another community-based component in the Ukrainian language curriculum.

This year, students in the UKR 117 & 217 classes adapted their Cultural Research Projects and YouTube video assignments to be used as part of the cultural display at Saskatoon's annual *Vesna Festival*. This component not only allowed students to engage with the local festival in a volunteer capacity, but it also continued building an important bridge between the university and the broader Ukrainian community. Festival organizers and attendees commented very positively on the students' work, and all look forward to future collaborations.

Prof. Foty-Oneschuk also gave a presentation about the Ukrainian program on campus to Ukrainian students at Bethlehem Catholic High School, previewing potential Ukrainian offerings on campus along with executive members of the USUSA.

In addition to her continuing administrative duties at PCUH, Prof. Foty-Oneschuk also coordinated this year's Spring Session in Ukraine program and continued in her role as the faculty advisor for the U of S Ukrainian Students Association.

VLADIMIR KRICSFALUSY

Dr. Vladimir Kricsfalusy, an Associate Professor in the University of Saskatchewan's School of Environment and Sustainability and PCUH Affiliate, has proposed an initiative that will see the creation and development of a Community Garden, maintained by students as part of a community service learning program. The garden will follow traditional Ukrainian cultural practices, pro-

moting cultural awareness and healthy nutrition. The initiative, which is sponsored by the PCUH, is titled "Linking Urban Agriculture and Cultural Heritage on the Prairies."

This year Dr. Kricsfalusy published two biographical essays on Thomas Pavlychenko and Dr. Luella Verzub – Saskatchewan-based scientists and local community activists. The essays appeared in V. Polkovsky and M. So-

roka (eds.), *Collected Papers on Ukrainian Life in Western Canada*, Vol. 68. (Ostroh Academy National University Press, 2014). He also presented the talk "Towards Collaboration in Sustainable Forest Management between Universities in Canada and Ukraine" at the Ukrainian National Forestry University, Lviv (Ukraine), July 21, 2014.

NADYA FOTY-ONESCHUK



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In our work, we count on the financial support of many individuals and organizations. The interest (accrued from PCUH endowments) goes to fund all our academic initiatives, including research, conferences, publications, and student scholarships.

As educators, academics, researchers, we at PCUH strive to develop a sustainable Ukrainian studies program at the University of Saskatchewan. We believe that embracing one's culture, heritage and identity is the first important step towards building a vibrant and strong community, which nurtures and cherishes diversity in itself and beyond. That is why we believe in our students, of whatever background they are, and in their desire to learn about themselves, others, and the world beyond. Investing in knowledge, research, and in our students is investing in our future.

We are grateful to all our donors for their continuing recognition of the importance of our work.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

PCUH Exhibit *Money, Sovereignty and Power: The Paper Currency of Revolutionary Ukraine, 1917-1920*
 Lethbridge (Galt Museum and Gallery) May 15 – September 31, 2015
 Yorkton (Godfrey Dean Gallery) January 8, 2016 – February 20, 2016

2016 Mohyla Lecture

“Donbas, Crimea and the Euromaidan: Ukrainian Independence vs. Russian Imperialism”

Dr. Taras Kuzio, Research Associate, CIUS, University of Alberta and Fellow, Center for Transatlantic Relations, School of Advanced International Relations, Johns Hopkins University

Thursday, February 11, 2016 7:00 pm, Father O'Donnell Auditorium (STM College)

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