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## A new recipe for 'jam' — Village-style!

"There isn't anywhere else in the city that anyone should have been tonight, other than here..." said an exhilarated Peter North, host of CKUA's *Dead Ends and Detours*, and *Points North*, as he concluded his guest hosting duties at the **Party with the Village people** on Friday, March 1.

Held in SJI's dining hall-turned-night club, the scale and success of this professional-calibre, cabaret-style jam session was astonishing, as much to those on stage as to those in the audience.

Wrote North in a follow-up note: "I am still a bit buzzed about that evening... Every element of the night seemed to glisten. It is very interesting to hear from people who have heard about what a great night it was. Thanks for letting me participate. I had a ball."

'Village people pack them in at SJI' read the headline of the March 14-27 article in *Ukrainian News*. And indeed, it was true. A record crowd, reminiscent of SJI's legendary *zabavas*, jammed into the Institute to catch a glimpse of this never-before-assembled group of exceptional professional musicians. The project, initiated and named by The Friends of The Ukrainian Village Society

(FoUVS), was intended to increase public and youth awareness and interest in the activities of, and opportunities at, the amazing provincial resource that is The Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village (UCHV). The result was "an eclectic mix of folk music, headed by New York's Ukrainian-American bandurist, composer and conductor, Julian Kytasty."

Joined by ESO Artist-in-Residence and flute player Maestro Lucas Waldin; Chapman stick virtuoso and vocalist, Dale Ladouceur; gypsy fiddler, Cam Neufeld; ESO Celtic harpist and vocalist, Keri Lynn Zwicker; and Latin American folk ensemble, De Menor a Mayor, Julian Kytasty had the audience clamouring for more at the end of the exhilarating 2-hour show.

A remarkable moment occurred during the *finale*, as all the musicians joined together to play the iconic folk song, *Взяв би я бандуру* (*Vziav by ya banduru*), when the entire audience joined in, singing. In amazement, some of the musicians almost stopped playing, as they took in this group-singing phenomenon — typical at Ukrainian gatherings, but otherwise usually reserved for New Year's Eve parties and national anthems.

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A pre-show VIP reception, sponsored by SJI, welcomed the evening's musical talent, media sponsors, members of the Friends' and SJI's boards and members, and other community leaders. FoUVS Executive Director Dr. Marcia Ostaszewski noted how fitting it was for the Friends to partner with SJI, considering their respective mandates of supporting Ukrainian culture, history and traditions in Alberta.

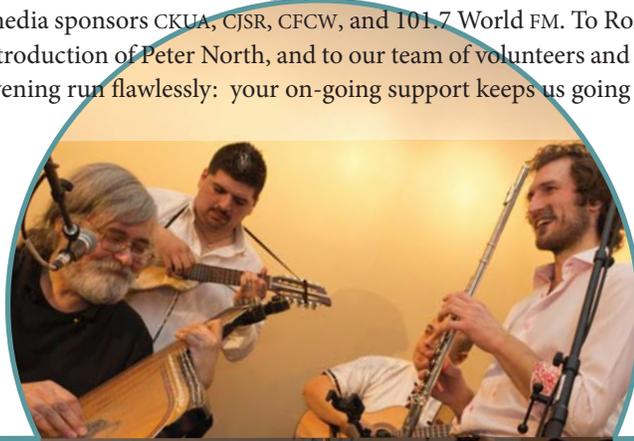
For her part, SJI Executive Director Suzanna Brytan stated that the Institute "has a mandate of fostering well-being in our community, by serving as a model of leadership and community development, a vibrant hub of Ukrainian culture and a catalyst for a dynamic, innovative, engaged community. We thank The Friends of The Ukrainian Village Society for the opportunity to engage with them, to showcase local artists and musicians, and to create artistic and cultural connections with the potential for long-lasting effects in our community and beyond."

The **Party** was attended by an extraordinary mix of folk music aficionados, university students, professors, professional and amateur musicians, media types and Ukrainian choral and instrumental performers and conductors. SJI was also honoured to welcome former Parliamentary Secretary to the Government Leader of the House and MP for Edmonton-Southwest, Jim Edwards; MLA Edmonton-Riverview, Steve Young; and well-known Aboriginal advocate and speaker, Lewis Cardinal.

There was no square footage left to spare — not even standing room. Complimentary goodies disappeared as quickly as they came out of the kitchen, and SJI resident volunteers graciously accepted admissions by donation, tended bar, provided security and re-assembled the dining hall, as the lingering crowd slowly exited.

For St. John's Institute, designing and serving as an integral part of the Friends' **Party with the Village people** was an opportunity to combine the resources and strengths of two separate, non-profit organizations into something much bigger and more powerful — and of mutual benefit. It is for precisely this reason that SJI actively seeks out and engages in community partnerships. The chance to host and deliver events that elevate Ukrainian culture, help it evolve in its Canadian context, demonstrate SJI as a venue for art and culture, showcase the talent and versatility of professional performing artists in the city and province, and help other community organizations advance toward their goals are all means by which we fulfill the Institute's mission and vision. Says Brytan: "We intend for there to be many more events at the Institute — some similar and some completely different. The status quo is not good enough for our community."

Special thanks to The Friends of The Ukrainian Village Society — and especially its Executive Director, Dr. Marcia Ostaszewski — for entrusting SJI with the responsibility of creating and staging an event worthy of the names and sponsors participating. Thanks also to the irreplaceable Mike Tulley of Listen Louder Productions, SJI's kitchen team, project partner, Jonathan Kertzer of *folkwaysAlive!*, and media sponsors CKUA, CJSR, CFCW, and 101.7 World FM. To Roman Brytan for his introduction of Peter North, and to our team of volunteers and staff who made the evening run flawlessly: your on-going support keeps us going on!





## Alberta Culture Days 2012: a treat for the senses

*A sharing of artistic passion and talents — music, art, film, dance — and the cultural treasures of varied fare from ethnic kitchens...*

With financial support from Alberta Culture, promotional support from media sponsors 101.7 World FM, OMNI Television, *Ukrainian News* and a tremendous crew of volunteers from among the residents and staff of St. John's Institute, **Alberta Culture Days** at St. John's Institute was a treat for the eyes, ears and palate.

Taking over the west end of Whyte Avenue on the last weekend of September 2012, SJI's front lawns and courtyard became the scene of an outdoor music venue, complete with staging, sound equipment, theatre seating, patio tables/chairs and public beer gardens. Ukrainian and other artists from our city's ethno-cultural communities shared their passion and artistic talents with those who came to take it all in. Performing artists as well as those involved in visual and culinary arts took the opportunity to share their passions and culture with the community.

Highlights of the two-day event included a 30-minute performance by the Ukrainian Male Chorus of Edmonton, the vocal stylings of Italian

soloist Anna Scarpelli, and a set by Latin American folk ensemble, De Menor a Mayor. Consecutive sets of club music from 101.7 World FM's deejays and producers, Chris "C" (*URBIN LATINO*), Rudi Roeder, a.k.a. DJ Razor (*Club Euro*), Tony Sorgiovanni (*Espresso*), Naz Uppal (*Naz at Night — Bollywood Remixes*), and Roman Brytan (*Ukrainian Edition*) had Whyte Avenue motorists seat-bopping and passers-by grooving to the music. Frequently heard among comments in the crowd: "It's about time somebody hosted something like this on Whyte Avenue!", "Too bad it's not longer...", and "What do you mean, the party's over?"

Inside the building, artist Larisa Sembaliuk-Cheladyn led a workshop on the creation of graphic novels, also displaying a collection of her own paintings on the patio. The Dreamspeakers Festival Society presented a mini film festival of the works of Aboriginal youth. Contemporary dancer Tatiana Cheladyn took guests on an exploration of her new dance creation, *Entrelacement*. Vireo Karvonon enlightened adventurous onlookers about the benefits of healing dance, and Uni and Ashu of India Garden tantalized the tastebuds of a group eager to know the secrets to incredible East Indian food. Lessons in henna art and *pysanka*-writing rounded out the cultural offerings, and of course, *varenyky*, *kovbasa*, *kapusta*, coleslaw and homemade desserts were in plentiful supply, doled out by the tireless Stefie Kupnicki and volunteering SJI residents.

In particular, we thank Alberta Culture for the opportunity to host this event, and we truly appreciate the support of the businesses and organizations that contributed products and services: Mike Tulley, Listen Louder Productions; Aly Janmohammed, College Copy Shop; Gregg Gauk, Krawford Construction Inc.; Roman Brytan, 101.7 World FM; and Chris Gibson, Garneau Safeway. Your assistance and donations were critical to our ability to do our community proud, and we look forward to many more years of your involvement in our cultural festivals!



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## ACUA launches Alberta première of *Prairie Dreamscapes* in partnership with SJI



*Prairie Dreamscapes:*  
an exhibit of  
44 works by 20  
Alberta artists

In addition to hosting the Alberta launch of *Prairie Dreamscapes* for the Alberta Council for the Ukrainian Arts (ACUA) on December 7, St. John's Institute was privileged to host ACUA's Annual General Meeting on Sunday, February 24. The president's report, presented by Vice President Olesia Luciw-Andrijowich on behalf of President Andrea Kopylech, highlighted the work ACUA has done in promoting Alberta's Ukrainian artists within and beyond our province, specifically in Toronto and Edmonton.

*Prairie Dreamscapes*, an exhibit of 44 works by 20 Alberta artists, premiered at the Toronto Ukrainian Festival in September 2012 and was sponsored in part by the UCC-APC's Anna Oastrom fund.

Alberta Culture Minister Hon. Heather Klimchuk opened the launch with these encouraging words: "Congratulations! You are a wonderful example of the diverse, exciting, collaborative and active organizations that we have in Alberta and that we need in our province to continue to build strong cultural connections and strong communities."

Ben Henderson, Edmonton's city councillor for Ward 9, brought greetings from the Mayor and City Council, remarking on the incredible support for the arts that our Ukrainian community offers, especially in such a fitting arts and culture venue as St. John's Institute. A gorgeously fluid contemporary dance presentation by *Entrelacement*, created and directed by Tatiana Cheladyn and a moving performance by local cellist Julian Savaryn gave the launch a suitably artistic opening.

Over 200 guests stayed late into the evening, chatting with the artists who came out to show their pieces. Larisa Sembaliuk Cheladyn, Elizabeth Holinaty, Raynella Paramanova, Luba Bilash, Larisa Eliuk, Larysa Luciw and Oksana Zhelisko were on hand to welcome patrons and guests.

In partnership with ACUA, St. John's Institute was proud to deliver this event, supplying the venue, hors d'oeuvres and beverages for the reception, as well as administrative support to promote and mount the show, plus staff and volunteers to host the reception. (Kudos to Chef Stefie on the incredibly tasty, bite-sized morsels of garlic *studenetz* on rounds of pumpernickel rye, among all the other delectable goodies and complimentary wine butlered by SJI residents...)

Special thanks to ACUA President Andrea Kopylech and the ACUA board, especially Pamela Shapka; Nadija Szram, SJI Office and Operation Manager (whose know-how and facility with hanging and presenting professional art exhibits was extraordinarily helpful!), all contributing artists, SJI past-president Victor Pysyk and former board members in attendance; Hon. Minister Heather Klimchuk, Edmonton City Councillor Ben Henderson, Tatiana Cheladyn and *Entrelacement*, Julian Savaryn, Bottom Line Productions; Sulyma Productions Inc., 101.7 World FM, Global Television, *Ukrainian News*, College Copy Shop, CINE Audio Visual, Garneau Safeway, Ukrainian Shumka Dancers, Precision Electrical, Ivan Lypovyk, Stefania Kupnicki, Regina Lazutin, Emmy Mejia and volunteers Stepan Lypovyk, Darcey Heaton, Iryna and Oleksiy Karpenko, Chris Burton, Stephen Arychuk, Tanner Skoretz, Michael McKeith, Bruce Wilkins, Sonya Kuo, Alesha Starchuk, Krhystyna Marenych, and everyone who braved the weather to attend the opening night of the show.

SJI thanks ACUA for the opportunity to partner in hosting this launch, and anticipates many more fruitful manifestations of our strong relationship.



## Mosaic workshop to be followed by 'Making a Kylym'

Participants of '*Introduction to Mosaic*,' led by renowned Edmonton mosaicist Theodora Harasymiw, came away from the workshop with a new-found respect for the origins, traditions and artistry of the art form.

Held October 26-28, 2012 at SJI, the workshop featured a complete overview of the different styles, inspirations, regional differences, materials and techniques used to create mosaics around the world. Participants were encouraged to unleash their inner creativity, working with a vast array of interesting tiles and materials provided by their experienced instructor.



As creator of the mosaic adorning the exterior of St. John's Institute, Theodora brought all of her resources and talents to bear, as she helped her students design and develop pieces that suited their individual levels of inspiration and skill.

Said one workshop attendee: "Theo's knowledge of mosaic is thorough and extensive. She has travelled around the world, studying with masters, honing her craft and learning many different techniques. She shares her knowledge in a way that is generous and illuminating. She thoroughly enjoys drawing out people's natural curiosity, creativity and confidence. She didn't stifle our exploration of the craft with arbitrary limits based on our level of ability, but encouraged us to spread our wings..."

SJI appreciates Theodora's well-organized, student-centred approach to these workshops, and looks forward to hosting many more — including '*Making a Kylym*,' Saturday, April 27 at the Institute. For more information, call 780-439-2320.

## An afternoon of art and awareness

To acknowledge and profile a significant issue affecting the health of women across communities in Edmonton, SJI featured an afternoon of art and awareness on Saturday, January 26, celebrating January as *Postpartum Depression Awareness Month* across Western Canada.

The brain-child of a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee medal recipient, Tascheila Marangoni, the art auction was organized by Dr. Jane Carr, MD, FRCP(C), Psychiatrist, Director of Support Groups and the Alberta chapter of PPDA.

St. John's Institute was proud to co-sponsor the afternoon, with funds going to benefit PPDA, a local non-profit organization working to increase awareness and resources for those suffering from postpartum mood disorders.

The art auction featured a dazzling display of original artwork, including several *giclées* by World's Living Master Anna Razumovskaya and others. Masterfully-created, hand-made jewellery and impossibly perfect sweets from Duchess Bake Shop were among the most coveted items on the silent auction tables.

Ben Henderson, Councillor, Ward 9, brought greetings from Mayor Mandel and the City of Edmonton. David Dorward, MLA Edmonton-Goldbar greeted guests, admiring both the art and the work of the organization that staged the event.

Mr. Henderson presented Dr. Jane Carr with a plaque from the city, declaring January Postpartum Depression Month in Edmonton; Dr. Carr thanked him and congratulated those gathered for recognizing the value of raising awareness of this important mood disorder.

101.7 World FM supplied door prizes including tickets to a ProCoro concert and other hard-to-get items, and Parkallen Restaurant graciously donated a selection of Lebanese-style hors d'oeuvres for the reception. Our thanks to PPDA's sponsors, organizers and the artists who donated their work. And to SJI's staff and residents: Many thanks for your help in mounting the artwork and helping with set-up and clean-up.



*January has been named Postpartum Depression Month in Edmonton*



St. John's Institute was honoured to be the site of Alberta's Capital Region Caucus meeting on Tuesday, January 20, and to make a presentation about its plans and activities to MLAs from Edmonton and surrounding areas.

Caucus members enjoyed a hearty breakfast buffet, followed by presentations from three community groups. Pausing for a light lunch of soups, hot sandwiches, salads and desserts, the group continued with private business meetings into the early afternoon. After the meeting, some members toured the facility and asked about using the building for various government and constituent activities.

SJI Executive Director Suzanna Brytan delivered a presentation entitled, *'Spinning Straw into Gold'*, in which she explained that the relative success of the new St. John's Institute has much to do with the organization's willingness to share its resources, knowledge, facilities and administrative strengths with other community organizations.

Acting as a model of community and youth leadership development, St. John's Institute assists groups and organizations in ways that strengthen those groups' abilities to serve their own clients and members. This self-sustaining model transforms revenue from the Institute's affordable housing and meal services into supports that benefit non-profit, voluntary organizations and charities: subsidized space rental and administrative/infrastructural services that help individuals and groups working in the varied fields of arts, culture, education, religion and human services.



## Alberta's Capital Region Caucus meets at St. John's Institute

Special thanks to Naresh Bhardwaj, MLA Edmonton-Ellerslie and CRC Chair; David Dorward, MLA Edmonton-Goldbar; Matt Jeneroux, MLA Edmonton Southwest; Janice Sarich, MLA Edmonton-Decore; Robert Stephenson, Legislative Assistant; Nathan Mison, Eunoia Consulting; and Michael Yereniuk, Chickenlip Consulting Corp. for helping to make this meeting possible. Deep appreciation to SJI board members Natalia Toroshenko, Darcy Koshman, and Dr. Bohdan Harasymiw for their attendance and moral support.



## St. John's Institute: truly, a home for the holidays

As our readers well know, St. John's Institute is no longer just a residence for university students. It is home to people from many walks of life including seniors, students, families and people of all ages who are transitioning to independent living. As a publicly accessible facility, the Institute is open year-round: gone are the days of 'shutting down for the summer' and 'letting the kitchen staff go' over the Christmas holidays.

To ensure that those who make St. John's Institute their permanent home had the chance to celebrate, Dr. Jane Carr and Dr. Rita Balanko, together with colleagues, Dr. Laura-Belle Robinson and Vireo Karvonen, proposed and co-ordinated a potluck holiday gathering at the Institute for the evening of January 3.

Residents of St. John's Institute and those attending support groups and other programs in the building were greeted with twinkling mini-lights and Christmas music, the dining room taking on the feel of a family gathering rather than an institutional cafeteria setting. Guests brought delicious potluck items of all kinds, and SJI served a hot meal and gave gift bags to all the children in attendance.

Thank you, Dr. Carr and company: SJI truly appreciated the chance to share the Christmas spirit with those for whom the Institute *IS* home for the holidays!



*Sharing the Christmas spirit at SJI*



## More than perogies and Easter eggs!

In an effort to bring the academics of folklore and culture off-campus and into the community, Dr. Andriy Nahachewsky and the Kule Centre for Ukrainian and Canadian Folklore offered the University of Alberta's *UKR 324: Ukrainian Culture* in the First Floor Gallery/Classroom at SJI in Fall 2012.

Classes were very well-received at the Institute, as were the *pyrohy* suppers that coincided with classes taking place every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month! Free-flowing coffee and snacks didn't hurt either, and many students previously unfamiliar with St. John's Institute were introduced to its bounty of opportunities and amenities. Professors, students and Kule Centre personnel celebrated the conclusion of the term with a catered banquet at the Institute.

SJI is very excited to be partnering with the Kule Folklore Centre to promote its courses as a natural extension of the Ukrainian cultural education delivered through its OSVITA program.

## On the road with ECVO

On November 19 and 20, St. John's Institute partnered with the Edmonton Chamber of Voluntary Organizations (ECVO) to host three separate sessions of the Canada Revenue Agency's 'Charities Roadshow'.

Each three-hour session was attended by 140 people. Guests listened to presentations by CRA and other specialists from the charitable sector. Scott Hood, Minister's Designate, Charitable Fund-raising Act, Service Alberta, Consumer Services Branch, was on hand to explain the importance of obtaining and maintaining a license under the *Charitable Fund-raising Act*, a provincial measure put in place to protect Alberta's donors and assist in their charitable decision-making.

Our thanks to ECVO's Russ Dahms, Executive Director and Malambo Moonga, Programs Director, for bringing this presentation and 420 representatives of non-profits and charities from across Alberta through the doors of the Institute.



## ...and the two became one...

SJI was pleased to be the glue that held the day together on Saturday, September 22, 2012, as Maria Harcenco and Andriy Prockiwi became husband and wife during a beautiful, quiet ceremony in the Institute's first floor gallery.

After a sumptuous banquet, delectable sweets and dainty pastries served by SJI's kitchen team, friends and relatives of the happy couple — including visitors from Ukraine, residents and staff of SJI — celebrated long into the night.

Congratulations, *Pan and Pani Prockiwi!*

We wish you many years of health, happiness and love!



## Traditions in the making

A traditional Ukrainian Christmas eve supper, *Sviata Vecheria*, was served to the Sousa/Thorpe/Tranter families who gathered for their second consecutive year at St. John's Institute.

The oil lamp and candles glowed warmly on the dinner table for 30, set family-style. Buffet tables groaned under the abundance of handmade, home-made delicacies, including *kutia*, *varenyky*, *holubtsi*, *nalysnyky* and more. Ukrainian Christmas carollers, supplied by St. John's Institute, arrived to regale the family with all the favourites (and a few less traditional arrangements!) while the children played games and made crafts at a separate children's table.

We thank these families for choosing St. John Institute as the location for their celebration. And congratulations to *Osvita* alumna and continuing supporter of the Institute, Bailey Sousa, her husband Tim, and their daughter, Avriella, on the arrival of their beautiful, new baby boy, Arion!

*Consider SJI for your next special event!*

NOTE: This year, St. John's Institute was privileged to supply many families with handmade Ukrainian delicacies to complete their own Christmas dinners.

*If we can take some of that work off your plate for any special occasion, please call us at 780-439-2320!*



## Community gathers around common goals

The Ukrainian Canadian Congress - Alberta Provincial Congress (UCC-APC) held its Annual General Meeting at St. John's Institute on Friday, November 16, 2012.

Members applauded the significant achievements of the Congress under the very active and forward-thinking leadership of President Daria Luciw in representing the Ukrainian community's interests to all levels of government and throughout the wider community.

We thank UCC-APC for the opportunity to host and cater this AGM, which enjoyed its largest crowd for this event in the organization's history.

And congratulations to Barbara Hlus on becoming UCC-APC's new president!



# A Hetman worthy of the title

On Sunday, October 14, 2012, former SJI president and 44-year member of St. John's Institute, Mr. Victor Pysyk, was recognized for his contributions to the Ukrainian Canadian community at the annual Hetman Awards Banquet, hosted by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress - Alberta Provincial Council (UCC-APC).

Pictured with UCC-APC president, Daria Luciwi, and MLA for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, Genia Leskiw, Victor noted in his remarks that he would always be around to help St. John's Institute, but was glad to pass along the leader's torch to a new generation.

Throughout Victor's nearly half-century of leadership and involvement with St. John's Institute, he saw the organization through many challenging times, and held the ship steady over the course of changes big and small.

Our community owes a great debt of gratitude to this remarkable man, who — despite having to spend many a day and night assisting his extended family with the daily operations of a farm in Boyle, Alberta — made it to every board meeting (initially as the Students' Association representative, later as an elected board member and, finally, as president), worked every bingo and casino, and constantly brought new vision to the boardroom table, throughout his 44+ year career at SJI.

From all of us at St. John's Institute, thank you, Victor!



2012 Hetman Awards recipient Mr. Victor Pysyk, flanked by UCC-APC president Daria Luciwi and Genia Leskiw, MLA for Bonnyville-Cold Lake

## YOUR TREASURES • OUR TROVE

The collection pictured below is but a small sampling of the many exquisite sets of matching bone china and porcelain tea cups and saucers recently donated to SJI. To *Dobr. Stephanie Yurkiwsky, Mrs. Marie Magega, Ms. Betty Corlett and Ms. Alice Milne*: Thank you all for these charming keepsakes that make our special events even more special!

Please, keep them coming!



## The halls are alive...

...with the sounds of a marvellous upright Young Chang piano awarded to St. John's Institute by the Edmonton Arts Council (EAC)!

We are truly thankful for such a valuable and wonderful addition to residence life and we are thoroughly impressed by the calibre of some of our residents' musical talents — not heard since before the renovation!

The new addition provides ambiance for our dining hall, practise time and stress relief for our residents and an exquisitely maintained instrument on which to conduct lessons and choir practises. SJI is especially thrilled to have won this piano — donated to EAC by a private citizen and intended for a worthy non-profit organization — since we will be hosting the Ukrainian Music Society's Choral Conductor's Conference this August.

Thank you to both EAC and their benefactor for this gift of music. We are pleased to give it a warm and loving home, for the benefit of all who enter through our doors!





# A new Board for a new era

On Sunday, December 9, 2012, members and board members of St. John's Institute gathered for the Annual General Meeting of the society. The group enjoyed a lovely hot luncheon, after which tours of the building were conducted and members saw all of the changes that have taken place in the building since the previous AGM.

The formal AGM followed a guest presentation by Dr. Ernie Skakun, president of the Council of Ukrainian Orthodox Churches of Edmonton (CUOCE), who updated members on the business plans and debt repayment prospects of the CUOCE as regards the loan granted to the Council by SJI. The AGM then commenced, and board members presented their reports, including results of a recent strategic planning session facilitated by Alberta Culture. The motivating sentiment arising out of the planning session, as well as the general tenor of the AGM, was: "We're full, we're fun, and we're busy!" The financial statements for the year ending August 31, 2012 were extremely positive, showing a high level of activity at SJI, including support for the Ukrainian and wider communities, with many great prospects for the future.

Returning board members include Dr. Tania Mysak, Natalia Toroshenko, Amanda Campbell, Dr. Bohdan Harasymiw, Terry Tanasiuk, Richard Serna and Pauline Mudry. Darcy Koshman returned as a director, and Ms. Gladys Marie Magega (recipient of the *Queen Elizabeth II*



*II Diamond Jubilee Medal* for her work as a civilian in the Canadian Armed Forces, at left, second from right) became a new board member. Fr. Cornell Zubritsky continues to serve in the role of Chaplain at the Institute — a resource for residents, staff and community alike.

Thanks to everyone for their efforts on behalf of St. John's Institute. We look forward to the year ahead!

**IT'S A NUMBERS GAME...**In October 2012, SJI welcomed Patricia Yereniuk into the new position of part-time bookkeeper. Thanks to Patricia's facility with Quickbooks software, SJI's financial records are now keeping pace with its activity. Patricia is an excellent organizer, and is always coming up with new ways to make SJI's bookkeeping and other office procedures more effective and efficient.

Thanks for all your hard work, Trish. Your skills, positive outlook and ability to keep our accounts in order are a wonderful fit, and you are a fantastic complement to our staff!



## CAN YOU HELP AT OUR CASINO, MAY 11 & 12?

Can you help out at our casino, Saturday, May 11 and Sunday, May 12 at Palace Casino (WEM)?

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Please call Nadija at 780-439-2320, or write to [info@stjohnsinstitute.com](mailto:info@stjohnsinstitute.com) if you and/or a family member can spare just a few hours to help us with this event.

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# OSVITA 2013

## Ukrainian Summer Immersion Program

**EDMONTON: June 30 - July 27 / UKRAINE: July 29 - August 11**

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12-night trip, including international airfare: \$3550!

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### TUITION INCLUDES:

- Room & board at St. John's Institute for 4 weeks
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- 24-hour supervision
- All costs associated with activities (incl. guest instructors, speakers & weekend travel)

### UKRAINE TRIP INCLUDES:

- Return international airfare from Edmonton
- Ground package (all meals, accommodation, activities & transportation) in Ukraine
- Visits to Kyiv, Lviv, Chernivtsi, Kosiv, Carpathian Mountains & many more fascinating sites!

### PROGRAM COSTS:

EDMONTON Program Tuition:  
\$1200 (if paid by May 15)  
\$1500 (if paid after May 15)

*Non-refundable deposit:*  
\$300 - due with registration

UKRAINE Trip only:  
(minors must be accompanied by adults)  
\$3550 (if paid by May 15)  
\$3850 (if paid after May 15)

*Non-refundable deposit:*  
\$1000 - due with registration

TOTAL costs for both  
Edmonton & Ukraine are:  
\$4750 (if paid by May 15)  
\$5450 (if paid after May 15)