

## YOUTH PAGE

1920. They were primarily Ukrainians. They were targeted by Canadian law enforcement authorities not for illegal acts, but for their ancestry. 88,000 were forced to register with over 8,500 sent to concentration camps across Canada and here in Ontario Niagara Falls, Kingston, Petawawa, Sault Ste. Maria, Kapuskasing. All marshaled through Stanley Barricks in Toronto.

The film, hosted by the SUS Foundation of Canada, reveals how public records of their treatment were destroyed in 1954. Three decades later, researchers began the arduous task of stitching together the authentic story of this shameful period in Canadian history.

That Never Happened has met with critical acclaim at several film festivals, including the 2017 Valley Film Festival in California where it won best documentary, the 2017 Regina International Film Festival and Awards, this year's Hamilton Film Festival, and the 2017 KinoFilm Fest, in Winnipeg. It captured the People's Choice Award at this year's Bay Street Film Festival.

If you have the opportunity to see the documentary when it comes out in your location, please do so! Toronto CYMK has learned a lot about the Ukrainian History of our ancestors in the Canadian internment of Ukrainians and others in 1914-1918, and really recommends the film for all to see..

Upcoming

Caroling

Meet and Greet with TYC Organization

Coffee House with MUNO Ukrainian Organization

Skating Party with Oshawa CYMK local

#### Eastern Eparchy Conference

Our National President, Tanya Buciora, took the opportunity to share a report she had written about the history and meaning of CYMK with all the Executive memories in the Eastern branches and all clergy present, with the assistance of Dr. Peter Kondra. She has thanked all those organizations and individuals who have assisted with making the Winnipeg CYC/USRL Convention such a success for our CYMKivtsi.

Read a bit of her Report:

"Attending an Eastern youth retreat, I was given a book by Elissa Bjeletich and Caleb Shoemaker titled 'Blueprints for the Little Church.' How do we as Orthodox parents keep our children in the church throughout their lives? Well, to start off this presentation, I would like to keep in mind what Elissa and Caleb affirmed in their literature that and I quote, "it all begins with involving them in the life of the church from birth onwards—in the parish and at home." In their chapter 'Growing Up' the header quote really stood out to me: "our teenagers have to reach on their own the stage of adult conviction about the faith. This does not mean in isolation, but from their own, experience. They have to emerge as Orthodox adults because they believe that Orthodoxy is true—that it shows us how God

is and how we are. Only such a faith will be enough to preserve them in Orthodoxy throughout their life." Therefore, this provides us with further understanding the vital role of CYMK and that providing our youth this positive experience is essential, as we represent the future of our Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Canada...

Participating in CYMK, a faith based organization, is valuable to every member as we are able to remain close with our family and friends gaining opportunities and knowledge which are unique and beneficial for our development. These events help reunite our members with experiencing the 4 CYMK pillars: Faith, Culture, Leadership, and Friendship, as created by the Canadian Ukrainian Youth Association in 1934. As stated in Hebrews, Chapter 6, verse 10, "God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them."

As members of CYMK, we are honest, sincere and hard working Ukrainian Orthodox Youth. We are reminded of this during our every recital of the CYMK Klych: *Ми є чисні молодці, будемо щиро працювати, добре діло продовжати!*

As the President of the National CYMK Executive group and being the Long-Branch Local Secretary and President for several years, I have realized how significant this phrase really is. During the last 2 years, I have learned and comprehended the amount of dedication, commitment, allegiance, devotion, time and exertion it takes to dominate and prevail with success. It takes a group, not one individual to win, but most importantly, it takes a family. Enjoying moments as a CYMK group is a paramount quality which helps us grow within our bonds, companionships, trust, culture, and spirituality..."

If you wish to read the full report, Please visit our website at [cymk.ca](http://cymk.ca) for more.

#### National Upcoming CYMK Project Unbroken Blossoms Project

This is an initiative that works with Ukrainian Injured soldiers who are in need of medical assistance and rehabil-

itation after being injured in the Euro-aidan, Crimean revolution, and other combat happening in Eastern Ukraine.

Former National CYMK President Liza Zienchuk has recommended this Project as her father, Michael Zienchuk remains on the committee and contact is suitable. Tanya

Buciora, our current National CYMK President has personally visited some of these rehabilitation centres in Ukraine during this summer, and Toronto Local have spent some time with the soldiers at a Blue Jays game 2 summers ago. It has come to the National CYMK's awareness that they could really benefit from our assistance.

Therefore, we will be working on collecting funds for this project in the upcoming year of 2018. If you wish to donate and help out, please contact the Presidents of your local CYMK groups.

#### Message from Your National CYMK Executive

On behalf of the CYMK National Executive, we would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year! We hope the Holidays bring lots of happiness and love, and are proud and thankful of all the opportunities we were given in the year of 2017. We hope the New Year brings our youth joy, good health, and success with their education, work and within their local CYMK groups. We look forward to all the new adventures we will take in 2018.

—President Tanya Buciora along with the National CYMK Executive

Від імені крайової Управи СУМК, ми бажаємо всім Веселих Свят Різдва Христового, та Щасливого Нового 2018 Року!

Ми сподіваємося, що ці Свята принесуть багато щастя та любові, і є горді та вдячні Богові за все, що ми досягнули у 2017 році. Ми бажаємо, щоб Новий Рік приніс нашій молоді радість, здоров'я, та успіхів у школі, роботі і у ваших місцевих управах СУМК. Ми чикаємо на всі наші нові пригоди в 2018.

—Президент Таня Буцьора та карйова управа СУМК



Toronto local CYMKivtsi at their Parish's St. Nicholas Concert (St. Demetrius Ukrainian Orthodox Church).



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