



The Edge

Community Newsletter

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The Ukrainian-Canadian Commemorative Consecration Ceremony



On October 24th, 2009, the unveiling of the memorial plaque commemorated for the Ukrainian-Canadian imprisonment in Edgewood, 1915-1916, took place at the entrance of the Donselaar Memorial Park. Ukrainian-Canadians from all over Canada attended as well as West Kootenay Boundary M.L.A. Katrine Conroy, Jim Abbott P.C. M.P., and Inky Mark M.P. of Manitoba. The ceremony opened with the singing of "O Canada" lead by Jessica Harper, followed by the unveiling by Dorothy and Rollie Crabbe, and Ron and Phyllis Volansky. The consecration of the monument and the laying of wreaths came afterward. Wreaths were laid by the Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Association, the Ukrainian Canadian Foundation of Taras Shevchenko, the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, the Edgewood Community Internet Society (Jack Lewis), the Community Access Program (Jessica Harper), and the Royal Canadian Legion Br. #203 (Milan Prevost). The ceremony closed with the Ukrainian National Anthem. The master of ceremonies was Andrea Malysh, UCCLA.

After the unveiling, there was a marvellous lunch held at the legion which had several events in it self. The lunch started off with a musical number called "Friends along the Way" written and performed by Sherry Haggart, followed by the serving of the lunch. Speeches were given by Jim Abbott MP, Prof. Lubomyr Luciuk PhD UCCLA, and Inky Mark MP. The lunch closed with two songs performed by local musicians, Sherry Haggart, Emerson Coatsworth, Glen Gilmour, and Jessica Harper.

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Remembrance Day

On November 11th, 2009 there will be a Remembrance Day ceremony taking place at the cenotaph in the park at 10:45 a.m. This will be followed by tea and lunch at the legion afterwards.

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