Family Fest 2014 - Submitted by Christine Mills

Wonderful! Labor Day Weekend at All Saints Camp brought family and friends from near and far for a weekend full of fellowship and relaxation for Family Fest!

Friday evening everyone arrived and was welcomed with dinner and conversation. After Evening Prayers, the kids enjoyed watching a movie in the Pavilion. Saturday brought Morning Prayers, breakfast, and the annual “Kickball Game” with various levels of “rough and tumble” for ALL ages. The kids had a great time running the bases and the Seminarians enjoyed their first Family Fest Kickball game! Even though there was a winning team (maybe) everyone enjoyed playing and cheering. The afternoon allowed for free time, swimming or sports. After Vespers, the first round of the “Name Game” was conducted. The Name Game is a battle of “how many people do you know with these initials?!” A robust game of B-I-N-G-O! was held at the Pavilion for everyone to enjoy. A surprise ending to Saturday evening was a fireworks display provided by Fr. Deacon Jim Cairns and Eric Chubenko. The fireworks were AWESOME!

Family Fest was extremely pleased that Metropolitan Antony and the Seminarians were able to join us for part of the weekend! Metropolitan

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Let us reflect for the moment on a purely secular consideration. We value Nektarios of Aegina has wrought the healing from cancer of innumerable people over a century, to cite one instance alone, the oil streaming from the body of St. Basil. Those of us who have been acclaimed as saints are quite special to us. Not only were they especially close friends of Christ, many dying for His sake, but also their relics have been a source of miracles and healings. In this past century, they have been held as icons of Christ or some saint, the lighting of a candle, besides providing light in general, is a token of your prayers. A candle light burning before the healing saint Panteleimon may signify your prayers that certain sick relatives and friends be granted healing relief. Even after you have returned home the burning candle bespeaks of your continued prayer and the intentions for which it was lit. One does not have to light candles, but they become a physical manifestation of what we are doing in a spiritual way.

When your Baba lights a number of candles she probably is lighting one for each of the intentions she has or the individuals needing her spiritual attention. God is praised and His holy temple is brightly lit. Candle light has a soothing prayerful effect or ambience. If one has ever been in a church that has little flickering electric votive lights, you will see how irksome they can be. Candles provide a soft and soothing natural light that is both warm and comforting. The artificial light, although some use it for seeing fire safety, is harsh and can be aesthetically and spiritually unsettling. Many years ago, I served vespers in a small church on the Canadian prairie. As “O Gladsome Light” was about to be sung the chandelier was let down and some 35 candles were lit. As the hymn came to its conclusion, the chandelier was hauled up into place and the warm, soft glow of the candles seemed to make for a very prayerful place and time. The intensity of your Baba’s interior prayers are married to an external act, that of lighting candles, which makes for a satisfying experience.

My pastor has gotten so excited telling us about the relics of some saint which is in the altar of our church. What really is the relevance of such things in the 21st century? I know that in the Middle Ages there was a lot of traffic in relics and I believe even wars were fought over possessing them. Presently some Roman Catholic churches are divesting themselves of relics, so what is their great importance to us?

From the days of the earliest Christian martyrs, their bones were collected from the place of their martyrdom and given due reverence. All Christians are buried with due honour as well, for this human flesh had been baptized into Christ and fed on Him in the Mystery of Communion. The martyrs and those who have been acclaimed as saints are quite special to us. Not only were they especially close friends of Christ, many dying for His sake, but often their relics have been a source of miracles and healings. In this past century, to cite one instance alone, the oil streaming from the body of St. Nektarios of Aegina has wrought the healing from cancer of innumerable people throughout the world.

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MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR UOL PRESIDENT

Michael J. Komichak

Giving Thanks

Glory to Jesus Christ! Slava Isusu Khrystu!

As the calendar year comes to a close, we once again look forward to a joyous holiday season. As in years past, the National Executive Board’s Christian Caregiving and Missions Commission is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Tithing project. Previously, we have asked Chapters to collect donations and forward them to the NEB to support one of our parishes in need. Last year’s donations were earmarked to help Pokrova Parish in Philadelphia defray their expenses resulting from a disastrous fire.

This year’s Thanksgiving Tithing project is somewhat different. This Thanksgiving, we ask you to direct your efforts to support charities in your local communities. Jesus reminds us that “whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.” If we wish to thank the Lord for our many blessings, what better way than to help those around us in need? You can find more information on the Thanksgiving Tithing project elsewhere in this issue of the UOL Bulletin.

The end of the calendar year is traditionally when most people make their largest charitable donations of the year. At this time of the year, the UOL asks for your help during our Annual Fund Drive. The Fund Drive provides the resources for the UOL’s LS3K and MJSF Scholarship Funds, as well as the UOL Projects Fund which allows us to support many other worthy causes in the coming year. Thank you for remembering to include the UOL in your year-end giving so that we can continue to support our youth, our seminarians, and the Ukrainian Orthodox Church in general. For more information on the Annual Fund Drive, please see the companion notice in this issue of the Bulletin.

On September 27, which was the feast day of the Elevation of the Cross, the UOL National Executive Board held its Fall meeting in Coatesville, PA. It was certainly a special event for the Executive Board to begin our day with such a holy celebration. Fr. Anthony Uygonilk was not able to be there with us, the Senior NEB Spiritual Advisor Fr. John Hałusczak served the Divine Liturgy at Holy Ghost Ukrainian Orthodox Church. All of us on the Senior Board sincerely thank the Holy Ghost Senior Chapter for hosting the all-day NEB meeting, and especially for serving us a delicious lunch. We appreciate their hospitality and pray that God richly blesses their parish so that they can continue to do His work.

Finally, as winter approaches and we look beyond the end of this calendar year toward next summer, please remember to mark your calendar to attend the 68th Annual UOL Convention hosted by the Assumption of the Virgin Mary Senior UOL Chapter in Northampton, PA. The theme of next year’s Convention is “Put off the old, put on the new man. Be children of God. Walk in Christ the Light.” The UOL Convention is a wonderful opportunity to connect with others from across the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA. It is an opportunity for you to have input on how the UOL will operate in the coming year and beyond. It is also a time for spiritual renewal as we gather to celebrate our faith and re dedicate ourselves to work for our Holy Ukrainian Orthodox Church.

I look forward to hearing about your parish’s participation in this year’s Thanksgiving Tithing project. I look forward to another year of helping our young people, our seminarians, and our Church through your generous donations to the Annual Fund Drive. And I look forward to seeing you all at next year’s Convention in Northampton, PA.

Yours in Christ,
Michael J. Komichak
Have you heard? The 68th Annual Ukrainian Orthodox League Convention will be rolling down the Interstate from South Bound Brook, NJ to Eastern Pennsylvania! The Lehigh Valley to be exact! The Assumption of the Virgin Mary UOL Chapter of Northampton, PA, this year’s host, is planning the 2015 Convention for July 23-26! And those dates are NOT a misprint! The 2015 Convention will be one day shorter than prior Conventions. As per the recommendation by recent Convention Bodies, the 2015 event will begin Thursday, July 23 in the evening and conclude Sunday, July 26.

The modified format will begin Thursday evening with opening business sessions and the ever-popular Hospitality Evening. Friday’s schedule will include Divine Liturgy, brunch, business sessions, and a very special social evening. Saturday will include business sessions and the traditional Grand UOL Banquet and Ball. The 68th UOL Convention will conclude on Sunday with Hierarchal Divine Liturgy and the Farewell Luncheon at the Assumption of the Virgin Mary Parish in Northampton.

Lodging accommodations and our Convention site will be at the Best Western Plus, Lehigh Valley Hotel in Bethlehem, PA. And, once again, we are delighted to announce that the nightly UOL rate at the Hotel is only $89!

This year’s Convention theme, PUT OFF THE OLD, PUT ON THE NEW MAN; BE CHILDREN OF GOD; WALK IN CHRIST THE LIGHT, challenges us not only to continue the good works of the UOL, but to look forward to creating new paths to strengthen our Church, our organization and the communities around us. Come join us in July as we gather together with love for our Lord and with pride for our Faith.

Thanksgiving Tithing
Submitted by PM Olenka Sendeha

“We always thank God for all of you, remembering you constantly in our prayers, always bearing in mind your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.” 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3.

Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on our life and to count our numerous blessings which God has bestowed upon us. It is a perfect opportunity to express our thanks to the Lord through sharing those blessings with the others.

The Ukrainian Orthodox League is announcing its National Thanksgiving Project. This year, the Christian Caregiving and Missions Committee at the Convention proposed changes to this project compared to previous years. Instead of seeking tithing donations for a common charity, local UOL Chapters are encouraged to find a charity in their local community to support. It could be local food banks, soup kitchens, homeless shelters or just a family in need.

We encourage UOL Chapters and their members not only to donate money, but also, if possible, to consider volunteering at those centers. What better way to give thanks for all of the divine gifts we receive than to share our gifts, talent and time with those in need.

We encourage all chapters to submit an article and, if possible, pictures of their project to be featured in the March issue of the UOL Bulletin so that we can share our ideas for helping the needy, initiated by our chapters across the country. Please direct any questions about this year’s project to PM Olenka Sendeha, Senior NEB Chair of the Christian Caregiving and Missions Commission at Olenka5@yahoo.com. We look forward to sharing everyone’s successful stories.

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Kateryna Kocelko

I hope everyone is having a safe year so far. The Junior National Executive Board had their first meeting of the year on November 1st in Palos Park, Illinois. We would like to thank the Chapter and Parish of Palos Park for all of their warmth and hospitality. The junior board really enjoyed their time in Palos Park.

During the meeting we discussed many topics for the upcoming year and looked over the goals for the year, which were established at the 2014 Convention in South Bound Brook, New Jersey. Each chapter will be receiving information about some of the upcoming events in the UOL such as: Thanksgiving Tithing, “Soupner” Bowl Sunday, and Bring a Friend to Church Day. The board also talked about the upcoming 2014 Great Lent Giveaway, which at convention the delegates decided would benefit the Ukraine Relief Fund.

This year we want to focus on getting the chapters more active and gaining new chapters. We are trying to create more projects in which chapters can work together to continue to be more active on a local and the national level of the UOL. We were happy to hear that the chapter of Palos Park has reactivated and we wish them the best of luck as they work together to do God’s work. Also we are working on making turning in forms easier and more convenient by putting them on the website. Lastly we are continuing to work on our prayer book app for the specific needs of teenagers in everyday life.

If you haven’t already, please make sure you turn in your dues and roster forms to the Financial Secretary, Sarah Hershey. They were due September 30th, so please turn them in as soon as possible. Also please make sure your election report forms are turned in.

If there are ever any questions or concerns the board is always here if help is needed. Feel free to contact any one of us. I hope everyone has a blessed holiday season. Remember to take time to be thankful for everything that God has given you throughout this holiday season and try to do something good for those who are not as fortunate. I pray that everyone has a safe holiday and please do the same for the rest of the board and me.

In Christ’s Love,
Kateryna Kocelko

St. Vladimir’s Philadelphia, PA
Submitted by Natalie Bilinsky

The Philadelphia Senior UOL Chapter has had a full summer of activities. For the last five years we have used the summer to gather as a group on Wednesday evenings. This tradition started after a UOL retreat, where we discussed the importance of having activities around the church because it keeps you focused on your life around the church. Our chapter decided that we would schedule Wednesday evenings to gather for a light pot-luck supper. Following dinner we would schedule a task to complete as a group. This year those tasks varied. One Wednesday we had a brief chapter meeting. Another Wednesday we simply sat and talked. Several weeks were used to help with planning for parish events. One Wednesday we helped with the preparation for our parish picnic. Several weeks were used to plan for the parish basket raffle. The most important aspect of the night is the community and the camaraderie. I have to say that I look forward to the summer when we get a chance to be together.

Philadelphia is a unique parish in that the majority of our faithful do not live close to our church. Many travel 45 minutes to an hour to get to church. It is nice to have a time to get together and to share our lives with each other. That is what Wednesday evenings at St. Vladimir’s have become. The number of people varies each week. Some weeks we have around 15 people, other times the number is much smaller, but it is always wonderful to join as a family in Christ. We are very excited that this year our chapter had very strong representation at the UOL Convention in South Bound Brook. For the first time in many years we sent seven senior delegates, and this does not include the members of our chapter that are on the National Executive Board. Our chapter always pays the registration for all of our delegates and we are excited
We also want to invite you to our Malanka, Saturday January 31st! 

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that in the last few years we have been able to encourage members to attend the Convention for the first time, while still having our regular delegates attend. We also had two junior delegates attend the Convention. Our goal is to get more chapter members, both senior and junior, to the next few Conventions.

Another fun event we planned this year was a bowling night. We invited all members of our parish to attend a bowling night at a local bowling alley. The event was particularly fun for the children. There were special games that had a red colored bowling pin at the central spot. When this occurred the children went to spin the wheel to win a prize. We have already planned our next bowling night because it was such fun.

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Training the Intellectual. The scientific method is excellent training for the intellect, but the foundation for objectivity is laid elsewhere. The written Scripture, psalmody (prayers) and hymns of the Church help move the mind to think in the patterns and rhythms of the Church. Regular renunciation of everything we own. (St. Matthew 21:12-19), even our opinions (St. Matthew 6:22-24), must lose
their hold over us (scared? don’t be: relax and trust God – He will restore
true riches with interest; Job 42:10). We must work at this until we get to the
point that we can go into the temple naked, simple, and unencumbered (i.e. descend into our hearts in complete peace and quiet). It is in this silence that we will obtain true objectivity and hear the still small voice (1 Kings 19:12) of True Rationality (God the Logos; St. John 1:1-4). The resulting gnosis is the work of a lifetime lived in union with Christ, the inheritance of the Sons of God, and a fruit of perfection.

Until a man has gained this quiet and heard that still small voice – that is,
until he has become united with Christ in holy sainthood – all of his opinions are so much vanity and striving after wind. (Ecclesiastes 1)

No offense, but I have yet to meet such a man. So while I will hear and love
you when you rage and spread your words, don’t get upset if I respond by
loving you rather than engaging in debate. For my words are sure to be
vain, as well. God is not heard in the storm, but in the quiet whisper; if we
want to hear Him and know His Truth we have to quiet our minds and
emotions and meet Him in the silence of the temple of our hearts (1 Kings
19:12, 1 Corinthians 6:19, 1 Corinthians 3:16, Ephesians 3:17, Numbers
7:89).

Why Should You Attend the UOL Retreat on March 28, 2015?

By Natali Bilynsky

If you have never attended a UOL Retreat, we would like to provide you
with a brief overview of the day. Our morning starts with morning prayers
and breakfast. For the last 10 years we have had 50 to 60 people join us for the
Retreat. In the last few years not only have we had members from local
chapters, but also from other Orthodox churches. The fellowship between
retreat participants is why the retreat is a highlight of the UOL for me. In the
last few years we have had a group of inspirational speakers including His
Eminence Metropolitan Antony, His Grace Bishop Daniel, Mother Raphaela,
Fr. Bazyli Zawierucha and Fr. Anthony Perkins. In the morning we have
several speakers. The entire group then gathers for a lenten lunch.

The afternoon includes speakers but also has an inspirational activity. Over
the past ten years these activities have varied. One year we had a presenta-
tion about the Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. One year we had instruction on
the tones. Last year we presented a video and our group has requested that we
incorporate videos into our retreats.

So, what can you expect this year? Well, Fr. Perkins has agreed to be a key
presenter. Fr. Perkins is a wonderful and inspirational speaker and we are
blessed that he has agreed to speak this year. As an introduction I, a licensed
psychologist, will present a brief overview of the psychological benefits of
prayer. We are finalizing our other speakers. The afternoon will have a
video presentation. Later in the afternoon we will have our traditional games
for the retreat. The games test the knowledge of our retreat participants and
have become a fun and community building activity. The entire group then
gathers for vespers and dinner. We hope to see you this year!
To Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness

If we were going to explain to a non-Christian what is meant by “hungering and thirsting for righteousness,” I would probably start with the idea that people are looking to be fulfilled. People are always looking to satisfy that empty place in their hearts that only God can fill. We try with food, drink, drugs, entertainments, and all sorts of material things. In the book of Isaiah, it is written:

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

We are hungry and thirsty. We are restless with longing. We are insatiable. But Jesus says, in Matthew 5:6: “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.” But we can’t be filled with the righteousness Jesus offers if we are already filled with other things. Consider the old tale of the child who reached into a jar for a handful of candy, and his fist was too full to get it out of the jar. He was unwilling to let go of any of the candy, so he couldn’t have that which he wanted. It is the same for us. We are filled up with all the “clutter” of our own attempts to find fulfillment and until we let go of these things and make room for God’s righteousness, we won’t have it. The verses preceding this statement of Jesus talk about poverty of spirit, mourning and meekness. Perhaps this means that letting go is the first step in being blessed, and although you may go through a mourning of sorts for the things you let go of, there are promised comforts and blessing for those that do.

Even a non-Christian has ideas about right and wrong. A non-Christian will likely know that to be righteous means that you are not doing anything that would harm another, that you act fairly, and they might even add something about doing unto others as you would have them doing unto you. This is all good, but the Christian needs to explain that we take this a step further, that about doing unto others as you would have them do, say, and even think things which would please Him. Yet the Scriptures tell us “All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (Romans 3:23) “Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness.” Jesus doesn’t say to seek the kingdom of God and start being righteous. Jesus knows we can’t do it on our own. Paul writes, in the Epistle to the Galatians (2:21), that “if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ dies in vain.” We have Christ as the source of righteousness that is unattainable through our own efforts. Our feeble attempts at righteousness are not enough. Even Paul calls his own righteousness “filthy rags.” We are to seek God’s righteousness. We will be blessed if we do.

This brings us to what exactly is meant by “righteousness.” Jesus describes this further in Matthew 5. He talks about how it exceeds the law and the commandments. He goes from the physical constraints of the law to the personal constraints of the heart. This is surely because, as it says in the Scriptures, “man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks upon the heart.” It involves purity, showing mercy to others, and making peace with enemies, which just happen to be covered by the beatitudes that follow the one about hungering and thirsting for righteousness! If you think about it, the beatitudes basically show us that if we are willing to empty ourselves to gain God’s righteousness, not only will we be filled, but that righteousness will overflow with good things, not just for ourselves, but for others too.

“Blessed are those that hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.” This doesn’t mean that God simply provides righteousness just because you want it. If you are hungry, you go find something to eat. If you are thirsty, you go and get something to drink. Food and drink don’t just magically appear. It is the same when you hunger or thirst for righteousness – you have to do something about it. If we are honest with ourselves, we can admit that we want that which will satisfy. We are told by Paul in his Epistle to the Philippians: “Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus also had laid hold of me.” We are to press on for the true righteousness which comes by faith in Jesus.
Fest guests were greeted to candles and music for the “Pig Roast” and responses. A large and delicious brunch was served in the Dining Hall prepared by ASC kitchen staff. Swimming, volleyball, relaxation and a Memorial Church service filled Sunday afternoon. After the Memorial Service, Family Antony, along with Fr. John Haluseczak, Fr. Deacon Jim Cairns and Fr. Deacon Ihor Mahly celebrated Divine Liturgy at St. Thomas Chapel on Sunday morning. Fr. John Nakonachny conducted the wonderful choir singing at heart! It was a wonderful evening under the stars!

The weekend concluded Monday morning with prayers, breakfast, clean-up and everyone saying their good-byes. We were glad to see so many participants for the weekend, whether for the whole weekend or a day or so! Plans are already under way for next year, so if you have any suggestions, please let Chris Mills know!

Thank you to EVERYONE who helped out with Family Fest in any way, from setting up tables and chairs, cooking, fireworks, decorations and clean-up! Your assistance is truly appreciated! Looking forward to seeing everyone again next year and bringing a friend! See YOU Labor Day Weekend 2015!

Vacation Bible School - July 16 – 19, 2014
St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Church Sharon, PA Submitted by Adriane Hassler

St. John’s was able, once again, to conduct a Vacation Bible School during the summer months. Our U.O.L. Chapter sponsored this event, and eight of our children were able to attend. This year’s theme was water in the Bible.

The focus of the first day was the Old Testament and New Testament. The story of Noah and the great flood is one that most are familiar with. The children were very interested in other miracles having to do with, or around, water, such as the parting of the Red Sea by Moses, the water coming from a rock in the wilderness, and Elijah’s issue with the priest of Baal and how Elijah’s prayer stopped the rain for three and a half years until he prayed again and the rain fell down. The children also studied Elisa’s message to the Great General with leprosy who was cured when he was dipped in water seven times.

On the second day, we talked of how water is used in our church The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is what we are most familiar with, but we also discussed the Greater Blessing of Water and the Lesser Blessing of Water and the meaning of this. We went through the Book of Needs and discovered all the objects that could be blessed with Holy Water. This sparked some comments from the children as to the unlimited possibilities, such as a bee hive, an ambulance, and a barn.

On Friday a review quiz was given and the group scored an impressive 94%. Great Vespers were on Saturday at 6PM with a cookout that followed. All of the VBS students attended this Vesper service, and this is evidence of their love and devotion to their church. Vespers were held on the night of a local secular event, but these families chose to increase their knowledge about the things of God.

Note from the Editor
In the October 2014 issue for the “Meet the Junior Board” article the incorrect picture was linked to Katherine Anderson. Here is the correct biography and picture. I apologize for this error.

Hello, my name is Katherine Anderson and I am the Recording Secretary of the 2014-2015 Junior Ukrainian Orthodox League National Executive Board. I am very grateful to have been elected for the second time. I live in Salem, Ohio and attend church at Sts. Peter and Paul in Youngstown, Ohio. At our Church in Youngstown I sing in the choir, attend church school, help at different church activities and I am the President of our Jr. chapter. I have also danced in the Youngstown Area Ukrainian Dancers group for 4 years now.

I am a senior at Salem High School this school year. I am in the marching band and concert band. I have played flute for eight years and piccolo for three as well as being section leader and first chair for three, and I was in the “County Honors Band” this past year. I sing in the choir, participate in school musicals and am also in our show choir called “Encore.” This year I have been chosen to be an editor on our school’s year book staff. This year I went for part of the High School Mission Trip and found that it was a wonderful experience. In my free time I like to play music, dance, sing, and I enjoy being with my friends and family. I have gone to All Saints Camp every year since I was eight and have worked at Diocesan Church School Camp every year that I have been eligible. I have also been a “Big Sister” at the Mommy and Me/ /Daddy and Me encampment for 5 years. I love spending my summers at camp!

I am very excited to be representing the Jr. U.O.L and hope that it is a productive year. Please contact me at katherine@cmcm.com if you have any questions. I pray that the Lord with help us to do our jobs at the best of our abilities this year.

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