

UKRAINIAN COMMUNITY  
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## Tropak's "A Dream for Dido"

Tropak Ukrainian Dance Theatre held its fundraising dinner and dance on 7 June 2008 at the Community Society of Ivan Franko hall. The evening was well attended and enjoyed by all.

The evening began with a delicious buffet dinner prepared and served by Community Society staff. This was followed by Tropak's performance featuring dances both old and new.

Dido was the star of the program on this evening. We were introduced to him and Baba in a short dance that set the tone for their relationship, a story to be expanded upon later in the show. Following this, Dido had a nap on the bench where he dreamed about four lovely young ladies dancing only for him.

Next we found Dido having a battle of sorts with a perogy more interested in dancing the tango than becoming Dido's supper. Wrapping up the show was a dance featuring Baba and Dido reminiscing about their relationship, which began all the way back when they were small children.

The show also featured the debut performance by the newest members of the Tropak family, the Tropak Ukrainian Dance Studio. Rebecca and Michaela charmed the audience with their cute duet. Excellent work from these two, especially as they have only been dancing together since April!

Paulette MacQuarrie of Nash Holos graciously hosted the show. The band S-Bahn was also part of the show, providing some traditional Ukrainian folk music in



photo by Nancy Hasiuk

between dances. S-Bahn also entertained those in attendance long after, playing their wonderful collection of pop music cover songs and everyone's favourite polkas. A couple of times Richard came down to the dance floor and demonstrated some group dances of German origin that the audience gamely attempted.

Tropak would like to thank everyone who attended the evening, as well as everyone who provided support in the form of time, money or raffle prizes.

by Anna Roik

Please visit Tropak online at [www.tropak.ca](http://www.tropak.ca). For more information about how you can join or support Tropak, email [contact@tropak.ca](mailto:contact@tropak.ca)

## Steveston Salmon Festival

The Steveston Salmon Festival, known as "Canada's biggest little birthday party", is held on July 1 and attracts over 75,000 people to a variety of events and activities.

Our Society has participated in the festival in past years in a big way. There are great photos of our fabulous floats - next year we hope to have a spectacular one!

We are hoping to renew our participation in the festival this year with a table in the Craft Fair. Pysanky and wood carving made by some of our Society members will be sold. If anyone has embroidered cloth or shirts and would like to sell them, that would round out our offerings. Please contact

Theresa ASAP so they can be added to our application.

The Society is hoping to create a presence at this festival where we can showcase both our Society and our Ukrainian culture.

The craft fair will be held from 10am to 6pm in the gymnasium at Steveston Community Centre, 4111 Moncton Street, Steveston). The parade runs from 10am to noon.

Come out for a show of support and have fun!

For comments, ideas, or questions contact Theresa at 604.295.0693

# Make our Annual Golf Tournament Another Swinging Success

The Annual Ukrainian Community Golf Tournament is near. This is a tournament for all golfers, young and old, regardless of ability. The emphasis is on having a good time for all.

**Where:** Country Meadows Golf Course, No. 6 Road, Richmond

**When:** Sunday September 14 2008. First tee-off at 10.30am. Format: Texas Scramble

**Cost:** Member \$50; Non-members \$55. Make cheques payable to Ukrainian Community Society of

Ivan Franko and mail them to 5311 Francis Road, Richmond, V7C 1K2

**Lunch:** Served at our community centre after the game.

**Prizes:** We appreciate donations so that all golfers can have the opportunity to receive a prize.

**Contact:** George Brandak at 604-274-2025 or 604-822-2232

*We are looking forward to seeing you at the tournament!*

UKRAINIAN WORLD GOLF  
CHALLENGE IN VANCOUVER,  
SATURDAY JULY 26 to  
SATURDAY AUGUST 2, 2008

The 5th Ukrainian World Golf Challenge, previously held in Spain, Florida, Hawaii, and Australia, is being held in the Vancouver area this year. To date, there have been no registrations from BC.

For local golfers the price is \$1490 for five rounds of golf including breakfasts at the Pinnacle Hotel, or \$1290 excluding breakfasts. All other meals, functions, souvenirs, golf shirt and travel to each golf course are included in the costs.

Check out the challenge's website at <http://www.ugolf.ca/2008Canada.html>, and tell all of your Ukrainian golfing friends.

Bohdan Kushnir from Toronto is the overall organizer for this event, and he will answer any of your questions via the website.



The Ivan Franko Manor at 200 McGregor Street in Winnipeg houses a wonderful museum dedicated to our society's namesake. If you're planning to be in the area, phone 204.589.4949 for information. *Photo by Anna Roik*

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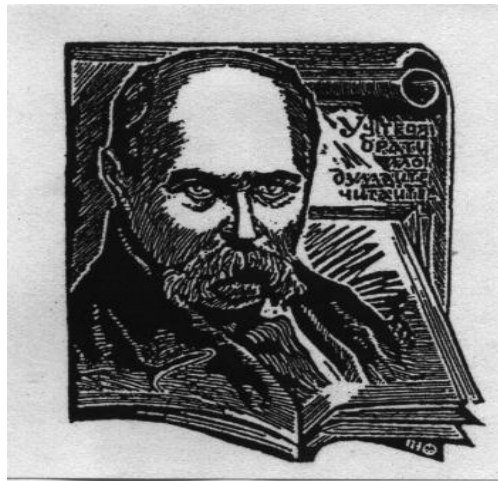


# The Reading Room

Janice Kulyk Keefer is the author of our spring and summer Book Club choices: *The Green Library*, nominated for a Governor General's Award, and *The Ladies' Lending Library*, recipient of the 2008 Kobzar Award.

*The Green Library* (June 3 meeting) is a storytelling masterpiece, dazzling in its structure and beautiful in its writing. It is a haunting novel of love, betrayal, and the need to belong to a place a people and a history. It is the story Eva, a woman who was leading an unremarkable life in Toronto until a strange man started watching her, and until she saw the resemblance between the boy in a 1930's photograph slipped through her mailbox and her eleven year old son.

Eva's attempts to unravel this puzzle take her to an abandoned logging camp in Northern



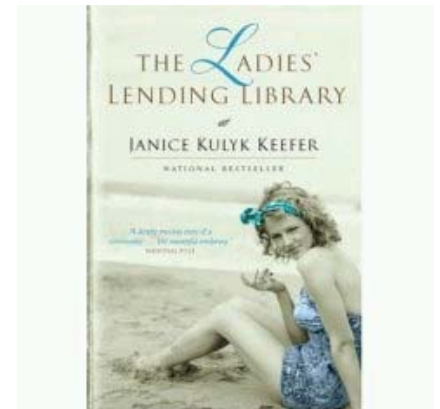
Ontario, then on to Kiev where she discovers lost love and lost identities marking the generations of a family she has never known. It is certainly a haunting and compelling read!

*The Ladies' Lending Library* is our summer "sun and sand" book. The story takes place at Kalina Beach summer resort in 1963, the year of the release of the movie *Cleopatra*. It is the story of the women of Kalina Beach, whose days are ruled by the predictable

rhythms of children and chores, lightened only by the "racy" books they trade among themselves and their Friday afternoon gin and gossip gatherings.

Over the course of the summer that everything changes for these women as innocence is exchanged for a new understanding of the possibilities open to them.

by Theresa Herchak  
For information on the Book Club or Ivan Franko Library, phone Theresa at 604.295.0693



**Tropak Dance Studio starts up again in September.**

**Register your kids now - All ages welcome!**

**For more information - Email: [contact@tropak.ca](mailto:contact@tropak.ca)**

**Phone Christina: 604-738-0380**

**Tropak Ukrainian Dance Theatre** is looking for guys and girls over 16 to join our performing group. No previous Ukrainian dance experience required.

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