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# UMANA CHAPTER NEWS

## Illinois Branch

### *Achilles and Vera Chreptowsky Collection at UIMA*

UMANA and WFUMA past-president **Achilles Chreptowsky, MD** was quite a renaissance man, with interests beyond medicine and sports. The Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art (UIMA) hosted an exhibit of the collection of Dr. Achilles and Vera Chreptowsky



*Vera Chreptowsky addresses viewers at the opening of the Dr. Achilles and Vera Chreptowsky Collection.*

on June 16, 2012. Since the 1950s, Achilles and Vera accumulated a large personal collection of modern and contemporary artwork. They were also instrumental in establishing the Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art in Chicago as a venue for artistic and other cultural activities.

### *Ravinia Party*

On July 14, 2012, the Illinois Branch held its second annual Evening in Ravinia summer gathering. Despite threatening skies, a dedicated group of members, family, and guests, enjoyed listening to Christoph Eschenbach conducting the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Erik Schumann on the Piano. The branch is already looking forward to next year's performance.



*UMANA Illinois Branch members at Ravinia Park picnic*



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## Michigan Branch

On April 27th a meeting of the UMANA Michigan Chapter took place at the Ukrainian Cultural Center in Warren. The president of the chapter, **Dr. Lydia Baltarowich** lectured on "New Drugs of Abuse", a subject of her professional interest and expertise. Dr Baltarowich is an emergency medicine physician and a Board-certified medical toxicologist at Henry Ford Hospital, as well as a consulting toxicologist at the Children's Hospital of Michigan Poison Control

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## UMANA Branch Officers

Please let us know of activity  
in your local branch.

E-mail news and photos

to [umana@umana.org](mailto:umana@umana.org)

We will make every effort to include reports of your  
events in an upcoming issue of UMANA News!



## President's Message

Dear Colleagues,

I wish to take this opportunity to invite everyone to the the next UMANA Conference and Assembly of Delegates that will take place June 6-9, 2013 in Naples FL. Planning is under way, and we look forward to a great turnout and an enjoyable event, as we have experienced in the past. So please mark your calendars. As always, the success of our conference is thanks to the active participation of our members. I therefore extend my invitation for all interested to volunteer in presenting his or her lecture at the Scientific Session.

The new UMANA website is now fully operational. Soon to be displayed on the website will be three directories, which were compiled based on a previous membership survey:

- (1) Medical centers that accept or have previously accepted physicians from Ukraine for participation in various observership or training programs. The importance of supplemental medical training is recognized by Ukraine's Ministry of Health as a component of a general plan of health care reform in Ukraine.
- (2) Medical centers that accept or have accepted patients from Ukraine for medical treatment.
- (3) Medical humanitarian and scientific projects in Ukraine.

We expect that these directories, which will now be generally accessible, will serve as important resources for promoting humanitarian assistance, scientific information exchange, and the planning and coordination of future projects and initiatives. These directories are probably far from being complete, but they are a start. I encourage our members to provide us with additional entries of which they are aware or to submit additional information on existing entries.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable summer.

Regards,  
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### Michigan Branch...

Center in Detroit. She described the new designer drugs as providing a "legal high" to recreational drug users, including "Ecstasy" alternatives, amphetamine, and cathinone derivatives ("Bath Salts"), and synthetic cannabinoids (K2 & Spice). Additionally, the recently observed complications related to new adulterants of cocaine, such as levamisole, were discussed. Dr Baltarowich showed her true expertise in this unusual field of medicine.



*Dr. Lidya Baltarowich behind the podium, Dr. Boris Leheta and his wife, Svitlana, Jurij Sherstylo (dental student), Dr. Maria Baltarowich, Dr. Oleh Boluch, Dr. Gregori Gerasymchuk, Dr. Ludmilla Gerasymchuk, Dr. Stefan Longinsky and his wife, Marianna, Dr. Andrew Dzul and his wife, Christina, Dr. Oksana Sambirska, Dr. Zenon Kossak and his wife, Jeanne.*

*Let us hear from you!*

## OBITUARIES



**DULYN, MD, Gregor**, age 82, *Medizinische Fakultät, Ludwig Maximilians Universität, Munich, Germany 1955; UMANA Illinois Branch, died May 21, 2004.*



**MULYK, MD, Iwan**, age 89, *Medizinische Fakultät der Friedrich Alexander Universität, Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany 1950; UMANA Toronto Branch, died March 17, 2009.*



**MIHAYCHUK, DDS, Jaroslaw (Jerry)**, age 87, *Zahnmedizinische Fakultät, Georg August Universität, Göttingen, Germany 1956; UMANA Ohio Branch; died December 6, 2011.*



**OLEKSIUK, MD, Constantine**, age 90, *Medizinische Fakultät, Johann Wolfgang von Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt am Main, Germany 1949; UMANA Illinois Branch, died June 29, 2012.*

## UMANA MEMBER NEWS



**Andrew Cap, MD, PhD** (Member-at-large) had been promoted to Lieutenant Colonel while deployed to Iraq in 2011. He is Adjunct Associate Professor at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio and is Chief of Coagulation and Blood Research, U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.



**Mark Juzych, MD, MHSA**, (Michigan Branch) expanding a long list of professional achievements, has been named chair of the Wayne State University School of Medicine, Department of Ophthalmology, and director of the Kresge Eye Institute, August 1, 2012. You can read more about Dr. Juzych's many accomplishments in *The Ukrainian Weekly*, May 13, 2012, Vol. LXXX, No. 20, page 15.



**Ulana Dzwinyk, MD** (Illinois Branch) has been accepted to the Loyola University Health Center anesthesia residency program in Maywood, Illinois. This spring Ulana wed Adrian Sonevytsky, MD, an anesthesia resident at the Stroger Cook County Hospital in Chicago. UMANA congratulates you both on your recent marriage and careers.



**Lara Kujtan, MD** (Maryland Branch) has been accepted into the Internal Medicine residency program at Virginia Tech, Roanoke, Virginia. Dr. Kujtan completed her Master's Degree at McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario. She is a graduate of Saba Medical University.



**George Gorchynsky, MD** (Illinois Branch) has been named Chairman of the Department of Emergency Medicine and Trauma Medical Director of the Ministry Door County Medical Center in Wisconsin.



**Peter Kujtan, MD** (Toronto Branch) traveled to Ukraine in February 2012 to examine the imprisoned former prime minister of Ukraine Yulia Tymoshenko at the request of the Canadian government. Dr. Kujtan, along with colleagues Christine Derzko, MD and George Rewa, MD, describe their vexing experience in a riveting front-page article in *The Ukrainian Weekly* of May 6, 2012, Vol. LXXX, No. 19.



**Olha Halyabar** (Maryland Branch) started her pediatric residency in June 2012 at Children's National Medical Center in Washington, DC.



**Luba Petrusha, MD** (Michigan Branch) has what might well be the most extensive website of "pysankas" on the internet and teaches "pysankarstvo" in Ukraine. Check out the beautiful collection at [www.lubapetrusha.com](http://www.lubapetrusha.com).



**Diana Iwanik, MD** (Illinois Branch) currently serves as the vice president of the UMANA Illinois branch and has been named Chairperson of the Radiology and Imaging Department, Resurrection Medical Center in Chicago.



**Ihor Sobchyshyn, MD** (Illinois Branch) starts his Family Practice residency at Swedish Covenant Hospital in Chicago in July 2012.