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78th Annual UOL Convention - Tampa, Florida

The 78th Annual Ukrainian Orthodox League Convention was truly a celebration of the UOL family and a wonderful example of the UOL motto Dedicated to our Church Devoted to its Youth. For 78 years UOL members have gathered together for the Annual UOL Convention and this year for the first time the UOL met in sunny Florida. Matushka Laryssa Charest, the UOL President, served as Convention chairperson. It was her vision of having the UOL gather close to the Dover parish that served as the inspiration for the Convention.

A true family in Christ, the Ukrainian Orthodox League is a unique organization with families both young and old gathering together as one family united in the Church. Fr. Harry and Pani Matka Carrie Linsinbigler joined the UOL Convention for each event and several members of the Dover Parish attended the Junior and Senior Sessions.

UOL delegates and guests gathered in Tampa Florida at the Westshore Grand Hotel on Wednesday July 23rd. As you might remember, the original plan for the Convention was for us to convene at another hotel in Tampa, but due to damage caused by storms Matushka Laryssa, the Convention Chairperson, had to pivot and moved us to the Westshore Grand. It was a beautiful hotel attached to a business center and with lots of areas for UOL members to gather in the lobby.

On Wednesday afternoon, the two National Executive Boards held their pre-convention meetings. The 78th UOL Convention started on Wednesday evening when President Matushka Laryssa Charest called the Convention to order. The opening prayer and National Anthem were followed by a moment of silence in honor of UOL members of Blessed Memory. The Convention started with opening remarks from President Matushka Laryssa Charest and Junior UOL President Mia Zetick.

As part of the first business, the convention body approved the agenda, 77th Annual UOL Convention Minutes, and reviewed the Annual Reports, Audit Report, and Financial Reports. At the opening ceremonies Vladyka Antony commented that the National Anthem sung by the Convention participants was the best he ever remembers.

Following the first session, our members gathered for hospitality night. Our meeting rooms were set with tables so that we could mingle and catch up with old friends and make new ones. Following hospitality night everyone gathered in the chapel for evening prayers. As a huge surprise to all participants, the chapel was amazing. His Eminence Metropolitan Antony explained that Elizabeth Symonenko, graphic designer, created an iconostasis that can be used in any room. The icons were like blinds or maps that changed the hotel meeting room into a beautiful chapel. His Eminence Metropolitan Antony described each of the icons.

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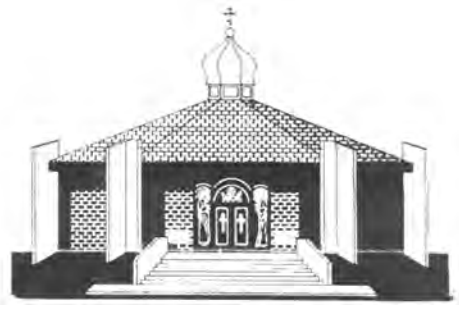

79th UOL Convention

Palos Park, IL

July 29, 2026 –August 2, 2026

"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer." (Romans 12:12)

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UOL Holodomor Remembrance Project

November is the month we commemorate the victims of the Holodomor in Ukraine.

In an effort to bring greater awareness, the UOL National Executive Board has initiated a project to have food collected by our various UOL chapters and labeling the non-perishable food items with stickers that provide education on the Holodomor. A page of labels (30 labels, 1" X 2 5/8" each) is available on the UOL website to download and print. The labels read:

In 1932, 10 million people perished in an artificial famine in Ukraine.
We pray no one ever goes hungry again.
#Holodomor #UkrainianGenocide #NeverForget

We welcome you to share photos of your participation in this worthwhile project. They can be emailed to: uolpr@uolofusa.org. Photos will be shared on the UOL social media sites, on our website (uolofusa.org), and in the UOL Bulletin.

We welcome all parishes of the UOC of USA to join us in this project.

Let us remember the innocent victims of the Ukrainian Holodomor, honor their memory, and help those in need within our own communities!

In Christ,
The UOL Christian Caregiving and Missions Commission

At the first NEB Meeting it was deciding that the UOL will be published quarterly (September, December, March and June). This switch to quarterly publication will reduce expenses while still keeping members informed of all UOL events. Please remember to pay your dues to remain on the UOL mailing list. Also, please be sure to email your updated email to nsufler@aol.com to be part of UOL email blasts.

The 2025-26 National Executive Board

MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR UOL PRESIDENT

Natalie Bilynsky

Glory to Jesus Christ!

I always return from the UOL Convention exhilarated and excited for the coming year. The UOL Convention was a great time to reconnect with friends and think about ways that we can enhance our parishes. Thank you to Matushka Laryssa Charest for her vision and planning for the Convention. Also, thank you to our Hierarchs, our clergy, our delegates, our juniors, and our pre-juniors for a wonderful family convention – that was inspiring. I am incredibly grateful for the UOL and all of you!

With our UOL community and family we have the blessing of supporting each other when we are tired, facing a challenge, or losing faith. My commitment to the UOL and our church community keeps me focused on those things that are important. I also know that I have a community that I can turn to for inspiration. I can reach out to my local chapter members or friends around the country for inspiration. If my light flickers, I can lean on my UOL family to re-ignite my spark and inspire me.

Our family in Christ, our UOC of the USA, is nurtured by the UOL! There are many times when we do not fully appreciate the gift that we have been given by being a part of this organization. Thank you fellow UOL members for the wonderful nurturing family you have provided for me. It is the absolute abundance of gratitude that encouraged me to serve as UOL President.

I want to thank the past President, Matushka Laryssa Charest, for her steadfast dedication and leadership for the past 3 years. Also, thank you to Fr. Mykola Zomchak who served as UOL Spiritual Advisor for many years.

I am honored to be working with a phenomenal NEB –

President- Natalie Bilynsky, Philadelphia, PA
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Second VP- Anna Anderson, Youngstown, OH
Recording Secretary- Shirley Duffy, Youngstown, OH
Corresponding Secretary- Matushka Laryssa Charest, Carnegie, PA
Treasurer- Joseph Goodge, Youngstown, OH
Financial Secretary- Oleh Bilynsky, Philadelphia, PA
Auditor- Teresa Linck, New Britain, CT
His Eminence Metropolitan Antony appointed His Eminence Archbishop Daniel as Spiritual Advisor to the Senior Board. We are incredibly honored that Vladyka Daniel will be working closely with us.

Since the Convention we have met as a group and determined our Commission and Committee appointments. The Commissions and Committees are the backbone of the UOL work and projects. Our goal is to enhance each of these projects.
Education - Oleh Bilynsky - with the following appointments:
Retreat - Oleh Bilynsky Essay Contest – Teresa Linck
Pray our Way - Oleh Bilynsky Webinars – Matushka Laryssa
Youth – Andrea Swan
Junior UOL- PM Beth Harendza
Caregiving and Missions - Andrea Swan
Public Relations- Karen Ferraro
Vocations and Clergy Support – Joe Goodge
Ways and Means – Anna Anderson

Committee Assignments:
All Saints Camp Delegate- Shirley Duffy
Awards – Anna Anderson
Membership and MAL – Shirley
Constitution and Handbook/ Bulletin/ Strategic Plan – Natalie Bilynsky
Cultural - Matushka Laryssa Charest

I encourage anyone who would like to support any of our commissions and committees to please let me know. There is great joy working together and we invite everyone.

One item we will be working on this year is planning more regional events with our chapters and neighboring parishes. Planning activities that can serve as times for us and even more importantly our youth to gather is essential. This will be a priority for our UOL this year. If you have an event and want to encourage others to attend - let us know.

We also have had a meeting with our joint Palos Park and NEB Convention Committee. We are very excited about the UOL Convention to be held in Palos Park. Save the date – more information to come.

With Love in Christ,
Natalie

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Thursday morning everyone gathered at the chapel for Divine Liturgy. His Eminence Archbishop Daniel presided over the Divine Liturgy, accompanied by: Fr. Taras Naumenko, Fr. John Charest, Fr. Harry Linsinbigler, Fr. John Stefero (guest speaker) and Fr. Philip Harendza. The responses for Divine Liturgy were sung by our combined choir under the direction of Matushka Laryssa Charest. It was wonderful to sing together as one family. One of the joys of the UOL is the fellowship between parishes and singing together is one of the beautiful ways we express the community between parishes. His Eminence Metropolitan Antony inspired the UOL members with his words about the convention theme "We have hope as an anchor, steadfast and sure." Following Diving Liturgy, all members joined for a full brunch.

After brunch the sessions resumed. The first session had a guest speaker, and Fr. John Stefero spoke about the importance of having an anchor in our faith.

Following the guest speaker, our Convention body had their first workshop. The format this year varied with a small overview by Natalie Bilynsky who facilitated the workgroups. The Convention body was divided into 5 groups who worked together to develop ideas and strategies to develop our UOL. A summary of the ideas presented are listed in this Bulletin and will be listed in upcoming issues. There were three workgroups during the Thursday sessions: 1) building community within the parish, region and nationally, 2) creating a schedule and calendar of events, and 3) developing religious education programs. The workgroups were very successful.

On Thursday evening the entire Convention body enjoyed a night at the

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MESSAGE FROM THE JUNIOR UOL PRESIDENT

Tatiana Korotinsky

Glory to Jesus Christ! Слава Ісусу Христу!

On behalf of the Jr. Executive Board and all of the youth participants of the 78th UOL convention, I extend our heartfelt thanks to the convention chairs and to Tampa for hosting and carrying out another wonderful convention. I would also like to thank our spiritual father, Fr. John Charest, along with our Junior UOL advisor, Pani Bethanne Harendza, for their continued dedication to our youth.

Thank you as well to everyone who came out for the convention! It's always amazing to see our traditions continue to grow each year and I can't wait to see familiar and new faces in Chicago next summer! A special thank you goes to His Eminence Metropolitan Antony and His Eminence Archbishop Daniel for their constant support of the Jr. UOL, and for always encouraging and guiding us.

I would also like to thank our outgoing member of the Jr. UOL Board, Mia Zetick. We are so grateful for your years of leadership and dedication to the board. Your work has left an impact that has set an even higher standard for future officers, and we all wish you success in all that you do.

Congratulations to the newly elected National Executive Board! I'm thrilled to collaborate with this amazing group and I'm confident that we will achieve great things together. The 2025-2026 board includes the following members:

President: Tatiana Korotinsky - Philadelphia, PA
Vice President: Hunter Harendza - Johnson City, NY
Secretary: Danylo Kondryshyn- Maplewood, NJ
Financial Secretary: Marcia Goodge- Youngstown, OH
Treasurer: Zakhary Ankoski- Philadelphia, PA

I encourage all chapters to actively nurture and grow your junior chapters. As your National Board, we are here to support you! If you have any questions, ideas, or concerns about the Jr. UOL this year, please feel free to reach out to me, Tatiana Korotinsky, at tusya1026@gmail.com or by phone at 215-391-9909.

Yours in Christ,
Tatiana Korotinsky

Regional Fellowship

The UOL is planning to build regional ties between parishes. There are two ways that we can develop regional ties:

1) Planning regional UOL events and inviting UOL members and all members of area chapters to these events. The plan is to have quarterly regional activities for juniors and seniors to encourage socialization. Currently established regions are east coast chapters and Western Pennsylvania/Ohio. We are looking to encourage additional regions including: New England and Chicago.

2) Encourage individuals to attend parish events for local events. One way to encourage participation is for parishes to share the dates of their parish events (for example, picnic, anniversaries).

Be sure to send us information about your parish events so that we can encourage individuals to attend. It would be wonderful for us to support our local parishes with events.

Just send information about your events to

nsufler@aol.com and we can share with everyone.

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Florida Aquarium and a Dolphin Cruise. We had the opportunity to walk through the aquarium and then boarded a cruise ship where we enjoyed dinner. Despite a brief storm, everyone had a fantastic time that evening. The sunset over Tampa was absolutely beautiful. That evening everyone joined back at the hotel for evening prayers.

Friday morning started with morning prayers and Vladyka Daniel inspired our convention delegates. President Matushka Laryssa presented a check in the amount of $14,598 for St. Andrew's Society for soup kitchens in Ukraine. These funds were raised as part of the UOL's Souper Bowl Sunday fund-raising project. President Matushka Laryssa reported that this amount was a significant increase and the pattern has been that more parishes have been participating in the Souper Bowl Sunday.

Next, Teresa Linck, Education Contest Chairperson, presented awards to all Essay Contest winners. This year 10 parishes were represented with 154 entries. Sts. Peter and Paul in Palos Park, IL had the largest number of submissions. A list of all winners will be published in the next issue of the Bulletin.

The next workshop focused on keeping hope, when feeling burn-out, led by Natalie Bilynsky. A highlight of the Convention was our chapter challenge. While chapter challenge is always fun and exciting, this year the winning junior team challenged our seminarians. It was a very close competition, with the junior team winning.

St. Demetrius UOL - Carteret, NJ

Submitted by Teresa Linck

On the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend members of St. Demetrius UOL and parish had services at the graves of Bishop Zuck and Archbishop Mark.

After blessing other graves everyone returned to the church hall for a barbecue. Fr. Ihor said they should make it a yearly tradition.

St. Mary UOL - New Britain, CT

Submitted by Teresa Linck

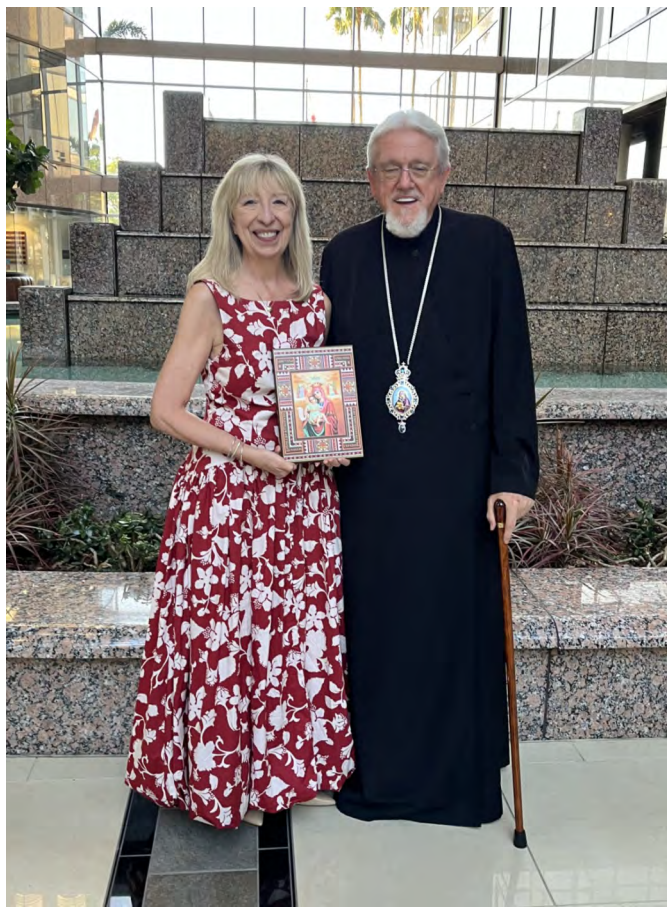
St. Mary's New Britain has had a busy year so far. We helped out at our parish's Spring Festival by helping to make Pascha to be sold and worked that day to make it a successful festival.

We requested a service for Metropolitan John and gave a short talk on why we honor him. We also collected for MJSF.

For Pastor Appreciation day we hosted our "Coffee and Treats." We also had a special cake to honor the day. Fr. Andrii and Fr. Deacon Tony were also given gift cards from the chapter.

Distinguished National Service Award Presented to Daria Pishko Komichak

The Distinguished National Service Award recognizes a member of the Senior UOL who truly exemplifies a superior sense of dedication and devotion to the League and the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA and has contributed excellent and sustained service to the Ukrainian Orthodox League on a national level.



The Distinguished National Service Award was presented to Daria Pishko Komichak. Daria served as Senior National President and Junior National President. She also served as Junior UOL Advisor, National Treasurer, LSSK Chairperson and many offices on the National Executive Board.

Daria has been instrumental in her local chapters, and she was instrumental in supporting the New Britain Chapter while she lived there. Additionally, for decades she was a key member of the Maplewood Chapter. Now in the Tampa area, we know that Daria will be an inspiration for the Dover Senior UOL chapter.

Congratulations to Daria! Mnohaya Lita!

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Friday sessions ended early so that UOL members could gather at Whisky Joes directly on the Tampa Bay. Our Juniors were excited to swim in the bay and had the chance to swim with manatees. We were all gathered on the Tampa Bay Beach under a tent on the sand at Whiskey Joes a local restaurant. We enjoyed a wonderful fish dinner.

Our evening ended with a brief rain storm (typical for Tampa) but a little unusual for our non-Florida based UOL members. When our bus arrived to take us back to the hotel the group needed to run from the tents to the bus and everyone got showered for the evening. Everyone was a little wet from the storm. While riding back to the hotel the group joined in evening prayers.

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The first workshop of the Convention focused on building community within a parish, region and nationally. The committees proposed the following ideas to promote community.

Strategies/ideas to build community within a parish

- Plan activities involving children to encourage parents to also join the community
- Have greeters and invite everyone to coffee hour
- Send cards to parishioners for special events or when they are ill
- Sponsor coffee hour after church and rotate who is responsible for the coffee hour
- Sponsor presentations or educational seminars during coffee hour
- Mingle/talk to new people
- Keep a visitors log and have a small gift for visitors
- Develop small group ministries (for example, develop groups for widows/widowers)
- Sponsor family nights quarterly (have meals, games)
- Have a varenyky making group in the evening
- Sponsor weekday coffee hours (during feast days after Divine Liturgy)
- Have senior group outings
- Sponsor Religious Educational gatherings
- Sponsor ESL (English Second Language) classes
- Be friendly and welcoming to newcomers
- Upgrade coffee hour and have a luncheon or brunch
- Encourage everyone to attend coffee hour
- Sponsor Souper Bowl Sunday, pancake breakfasts, salad fests

Strategies/Ideas to build community regionally

- Visit local parishes on their parish feast day
- Encourage the entire parish to attend the local parish feast day
- Invite National Executive Board members and local juniors to talk about the Junior UOL
- Joint caroling
- Invite local chapters to events at the parish (for example, invite to pancake breakfast, fish fry, fashion show, zabava)
- Attend Divine Liturgy and events at neighboring parishes
- Encourage attendance at Retreats
- Sponsor lock-in for Juniors
- Pilgrimage to other parishes or an Orthodox monastery
- Sponsor social events – baseball game, bowling
- Sponsor Malanka or Seasonal dance/zabava
- See a religious film together and have discussion
- Attend events at another parish – for example attend festival, picnic, wine tasting at another parish
- Sponsor regional meetings between local parishes with some time for Sunday School age, juniors and seniors to have time to socialize
- Join with local parishes to fundraise for different causes
- Support local festivals and events in neighboring parishes

Strategies/Ideas to Build Community nationally

- Invite a member or two from a parish that does not have a UOL Chapter to come to the Convention gratis
- Video sermons and lectures from the Convention
- Encourage clergy that do not have a UOL chapter to attend UOL Convention
- National Executive Board members visit area parish
- Sponsor varenyky festival
- Encourage participation at All Saints Camp
- Advertise events and encourage attendance at parish events in the UOL Bulletin and utilize social media to advertise these events
- Utilize e-mail to promote attendance at parish events
- Sponsor events at the same time – like all parishes supporting Souper Bowl Sunday
- Encourage Convention attendance
- Sponsor a Zoom session for juniors and for adults – entitled “Ask the Metropolitan/Archbishop a question”
- Sponsor a Zoom session between two non-regional chapters to have a game or chat time
- Promote attendance at Family Fest at All Saints Camp
- Sponsor Conventions or national gatherings more than once a year
- Have a Zoom meeting for all to join
- Develop more camping programs for children

Strategies/Ideas to support members at large (MAL)

- NEB should continue coffee klatch and support communication between MAL
- Encourage youth to attend All Saints Camp and to serve as Counselors
- Connect choirs and have workshops or joint choir concerts
- Sponsor Zoom meetings
- Sponsor trips to holy places
- Encourage attendance at parish events and advertise these events
- Encourage MAL to attend event at a local parish
- Share locations of planned events with our MAL so that they can attend
- Invite regional members to Lenten Services and have a pot-luck
- Send a delegation from a parish with a chapter to speak to a parish that does not have one
- Send more personal invitations to events
- Send get well cards and greeting cards for birthdays to MAL
- Send list of MAL to close UOL chapter so that they can be invited to events
- Invite all MAL to local and regional events

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Saturday morning started with morning prayers. Following morning prayers our last day of sessions started with the Juniors presenting their reports. The juniors are always incredibly impressive and present wonderful reports. Another source of inspiration were the pre-juniors. This year Rachel Harendza served as pre-junior coordinator. One highlight of the Convention was our pre -juniors singing happy birthday to "baba" Christine Charest.

The Convention location was discussed for the next year. The newly reestablished chapter in Palos Park agreed to work with the National Executive Board to host the Convention for 2026. In 2027 the Woonsocket chapter will be hosting the Convention. We are so grateful to our wonderful chapters and look forward to visiting these wonderful parishes.

Shirley Duffy presented information about All Saints Camp. Metropolitan Antony shared that the camp requires significant funds to repay a loan to fix all of the plumbing of the camp. Additionally, funds are needed to fix the pool. Metropolitan Antony shared that an anonymous donor had pledged to match all donations up to $10,000 at this Convention. Vladyko also shared the information about the wonderful benefactors, Katherine Orenchak and Thomas Tychonia who had contributed to All Saints Camp.

Next, Fr. John Charest spoke to the Convention body about welcoming members into the parish and gave wonderful suggestions. Elections for the Senior UOL Executive Board were held and the following officers were elected:

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His Eminence Metropolitan Antony appointed His Eminence Archbishop Daniel as Spiritual Advisor to the Senior Board.

Junior UOL Executive Board – 2025-2026:

President: Tatiana Korotinsky- Philadelphia, PA
Vice President: Hunter Harendza– Johnson City, NY
Secretary: Danylo Kondryshyn- Maplewood, NJ
Financial Secretary: Marcia Goodge- Youngstown, OH
Treasurer: Zachary Ankosi- Philadelphia, PA
His Eminence Metropolitan Antony appointed Fr. John Charest as Spiritual Advisor to the Junior Board.

As part of new business, His Eminence Metropolitan Antony discussed renaming the LSSK Scholarship to the Shining Lights Scholarship. There was discussion about honoring the "shining lights" who had fallen asleep in the Lord so early: Lynn Sawchuk, Sharon Kuzbyt and Julian Naumenko. Vladyka Antony spoke about strategies to honor their memory. The Convention unanimously voted to change the scholarship to the Shining Lights Scholarship.

The Convention ended with a closing prayer and singing of the Ukrainian national anthem.

The group took the Convention photo and attended Vespers. At Vespers Metropolitan Antony led the induction ceremony of the newly elected Senior and Junior UOL National Executive Boards. This ceremony symbolized the passing of the torch to new leaders dedicated to continuing the mission of the UOL.

Later that evening, everyone gathered for the banquet and ball. Saturday evening featured Mickey and Daria Komichak as the masters of ceremony and they guided the evening very gracefully. As part of the banquet awards were presented.

The UOL Distinguished National Service Award was presented to Daria Pishko Komichak. (Descriptions of the Senior UOL Award winner can be found in this issue.)

Junior UOL Vice President Danylo Kondryshyn presented the Junior UOL Chapter of the Year to Philadelphia, PA. (Details about Junior UOL winner will be in the next issue of the UOL Bulletin.)

Additionally Joseph Goodge presented the Metropolitan John Scholarship Fund awards to St. Sophia's Seminary on behalf of the seminarians. (Details about the MJSF recipients will be printed in the next issue.)

Metropolitan Antony announced that the matching donations for All Saints Camp Living Water Campaign were close to being fully raised and that Dan and Lynn Gulak were the very wonderful benefactors that are matching the donations.

Once the banquet was complete the DJ entertained and dancing continued through the night. Everyone enjoyed the music and dancing. During the Convention ball, the winners of the Junior UOL raffle as well as the basket raffle were picked. Thank you to Andi Swan for coordinating the basket raffle which was a huge success.

On Sunday, July 30, 2025, His Eminence Metropolitan Antony celebrated Divine Liturgy. National Senior and Junior UOL Presidents as well as parish representatives greeted His Eminence Metropolitan Antony and His Eminence Archbishop Daniel with flowers and the traditional bread and salt.

Following Divine Liturgy, everyone was invited to participate in a wonderful lunch at the parish hall. A full lunch was enjoyed by everyone. With full stomachs and hearts filled with love our UOL family said goodbyes. The 78th Annual UOL Convention, now a memory, but what a wonderful memory.

The Convention Committee and chapter are to be commended for a fantastic Convention. Special thanks to Convention Chairperson – Matushka Laryssa Charest for all of her hard work. Their labor of love, in planning this convention, truly serves as an inspiration. It was a wonderful Convention!

UOL Bulletin Pictures

To the surprise of the Philly Juniors there was a statue outside the Tampa hotel of a traveler reading the Philadelphia Inquirer. Tatiana Korotinsky and Mia Zetick improved the statue by providing the UOL Bulletin for him to read.

Annual Fund Drive
Please support the Ukrainian Orthodox League's Annual Drive for UOL Projects, Shining Lights (formerly LSSK) and Metropolitan John Scholarship Fund

Donations to UOL Projects will be used for:

*Publication of the ***UOL BULLETIN***
*Supporting the Youth Commission's activities
*Outreach through the Christian Care-Giving and Missions Commission
*Continuation of the Education Commission projects and services
*Public Relations and other administrative necessities

Donations to the Shining Lights (formerly Lynn Sawchuk-Sharon Kuzbyt) Scholarship fund will:

*Provide Scholarships to current or former Junior UOL members who are leaders in their parishes and communities and committed to their faith
*Nurture the future leaders of our Church
*Foster the UOL's motto: "Devoted to its Youth"

Donations to the MJSF Scholarship Fund will:

*Provide tuition assistance to seminarians at our St. Sophia's Seminary
*Encourage candidates to the Holy Priesthood
*Provide tuition assistance to our clergy and seminarians for higher education

Please take a moment and use the enclosed Envelope to make your donation today!! Thank you for your continued support!!

Our Hierarchs and Clergy read the UOL Bulletin during the group picture. Below you can see their enthusiasm about the UOL Bulletin close up.

Join in the fun!
Take a picture reading your UOL Bulletin!
Submit pictures by sending to
nsufler@aol.com

Vera Sufler, Oleh BIlynsky, Andrea Swan and their Zebra friend read the UOL Bulletin at Busch Gardens in Tampa, FL.

UOL Tribute

A donation to the Tribute Fund is an acknowledgment of a Milestone, Memorial, or Accomplishment, or is a Special Recognition of an individual or group. Your much-appreciated contribution is used to support and further the Mission of the Ukrainian Orthodox League. All donations are published in the UOL Bulletin.

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Teresa Linck	In honor of Anne Bailly for all the hard work and leadership she gives to St. Mary's Church.
Anonymous	In memory of Katherine Orenchak and Thomas Tychonia, great benefactors of All Saints Camp. May their memory be eternal! Vichnaya Pamyat!
Karen Ferraro	In memory of Julian Naumenko. Memory Eternal! Vichnaya Pamyat!
Oleh and Natalie Bilynsky	In honor of Matushka Laryssa Charest, thank you for planning a wonderful convention!
Oleh and Natalie Bilynsky	In honor of Elizabeth Symonenko for creating the beautiful iconostasis for the UOL Convention.
Alice Sivulich	In honor of Mike and Martha Misko on the occasion of their 48th wedding anniversary. Mnohaya Lita!
Alice Sivulich	In honor of Natalie Bilynsky on her election as UOL National President and for her once again responding when her leadership talents are needed.

To submit your Tribute:

Submit a card that includes your Name and Address, the Name of the Person to Receive the Tribute, the occasion of the Tribute (for example In Memory or To Honor), and the Name and Address of the person to whom an acknowledgement card should be sent.

For a contribution of $20 or more, the name and occasion is printed in the UOL Bulletin.

UOL Tributes should be submitted to:
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Praying our Way Together
Sponsored by UOL Education Commission

Looking for something to heighten your spiritual journey to prepare for the Nativity.

Each member of the prayer group reads assigned Old Testament readings (Monday– Friday) and is assigned a prayer partner.

If you would like to journey with us, please email your name, phone number, parish name, and parish address to Oleh Bilynsky at nsufler@aol.com and more information will be sent to you.

Please sign up by November 17, 2025

Remember to Submit your Membership Dues.

Individual Member dues are $25.

UOL Calendar of Events 2025-2026

September– Membership drive and dues submitted

November– Commemoration of Holodomor
Collect food and donate to local food pantry. Be sure to include stickers or a note that states "*In 1932, 10 million people perished in an artificial famine in Ukraine. We pray no one ever goes hungry again.*"

December 1, 2025 to January 2, 2026
Praying our Way Together for the Nativity Fast
Join UOC faithful reading the old testament Monday – Friday during the Nativity Fast. Receive daily biblical verse and pray for a prayer partner.

December 6, 2025 - UOL Sunday
Commemorate UOL faithful who have fallen asleep in the Lord. Encourage all UOL members to partake in Confession and Communion.

January 2026
Sponsor an event to support the Shining Lights Scholarship.
UOL Essay Contest Topics - Distributed.

February 8, 2026
Souper Bowl Sunday - Sell Soup in your parish to support St. Andrew Society and Soup Kitchens in Ukraine.

March 2, 2026 to March 27, 2026
Praying our Way Together for Great Lent.
Join UOC faithful reading the psalms Monday-Friday during Great Lent. Receive daily biblical verse and pray for a prayer partner.

March 28, 2026 - UOL Retreat focusing on Communion Prayers. Retreat center in Philadelphia suburb.

March - TBD - Western Pa Retreat

April 30, 2026 UOL Essay Contest Topics Due

May 24, 2026 Clergy Appreciation Day
Panakhyda for Metropolitan John and collection for Metropolitan John Scholarship.

July 29 – August 2, 2026 UOL Convention - Palos Park, IL