



Yearend Communiqué for 2010-2011

The Fund

Since the inception of the Fund the Endowment Council has awarded \$387,374.92 in grants with another \$450,000 approved for distribution between 2011 and 2013. The approved grants cover historical and art exhibits, books and publications, commemorative events, internee cemeteries, films, research, and national educational curriculum strategies. These projects will make an outstanding contribution to the remembrance of the internment and will educate Canadians concerning Canada's first national internment operations of 1914 to 1920, marking a very successful beginning to the operation of the Fund.

The 2011 deadline for grant applications was April 1st. During the upcoming months the Endowment Council will review more than two dozen grant applications from a number of fields of endeavour - education, research and the arts. There is also interest in the restoration of internee cemeteries. These grant proposals represent various affected communities such as the Turkish, Croatian, Serbian, Romanian and Ukrainian.

The Endowment Council thanks internee descendant representative

On behalf of all the members of the Endowment Council, Interim Chair, Andrew Hladyshevsky, Q.C. officially extended thanks and good wishes to Andrew Antoniuk, internee descendant representative, for his contributions to the work of the Council during his one-year term. Mr. Antoniuk represents The Descendants of Ukrainian Canadian Internment Victims Association (DUCIVA).

National Advertising Campaign – “What’s in your Trunk?”

“What’s in your Trunk?” is the theme of a national advertising campaign launched December 9th. The most recent advertisement will run in the Amherst Daily News on April 15th along with an article on the Amherst Internment camp. It continues to run in the 24 community newspapers where internment camps existed on the respective opening dates of those internment camps. The campaign concludes on October 13th with the Saskatoon Star Phoenix. The Endowment Council is interested in locating artifacts from the First World War internment operations of 1914 to 1920.

*For further information on the Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund
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