

## UMANA 2009 in Vancouver, BC

By Dr. Wayne Tymchak, UMANA President-elect

The Ukrainian Medical Association of North America (UMANA) will hold its biennial convention in Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 1-5, 2009. As president-elect of UMANA for 2009-2010, it gives me great pleasure to invite our members and guests to the XXXIII Assembly of Delegates and XL Scientific Conference. Vancouver, one of the most beautiful cities in the world, is located on the Pacific Coast of Canada, offering spectacular views of mountains, ocean, parks, and an exciting, modern skyline. There are endless activities to be had in this city, which will host the 2010 Winter Olympics.

Our venue, the Marriott Vancouver Pinnacle, is a modern, sophisticated hotel located in the center of town, only a few minutes walk from the oceanfront and marina, downtown hotels, historic Stanley Park, and the exclusive shopping district. All rooms have spectacular views of the ocean, mountains, or the city.

Please plan to take part in our upcoming conference. The Assembly of Delegates is your opportunity to make your voice heard and mold the future of UMANA. By participating, you will ensure that the convention achieves the high academic and cultural level that UMANA continually strives to deliver.



Dr. Wayne Tymchak



Vancouver, BC skyline



Dr. Luba Komar

### 40<sup>th</sup> Scientific Convention: 10 Hours CME Category I credit

The 40<sup>th</sup> Scientific Convention promises to be an informative and timely update on the state of medicine in North America. **Dr. Luba Komar** (Toronto Chapter), UMANA's Scientific Conference Coordinator, is organizing a stellar cast of competent speakers from Canada, the United States, and possibly Great Britain. Thursday and Friday morning will be dedicated to the following topics: 1) Ethics; 2) Safety and Risk Management; and 3) Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Management.

Make plans to take advantage of the educational portion of our convention, broadening your intellectual horizons and medical acumen.

If you would like to submit an abstract for consideration, please contact Dr. Luba Komar at [lkomar@sympatico.ca](mailto:lkomar@sympatico.ca) before December 1, 2008.

September 25-28, 2008  
**XII Clinical Congress WFUMA (SFULT)**  
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Ivano-Frankivsk, Ukraine  
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## President's Message

Greetings!

I hope that everyone is having a wonderful summer! Many of our children are enjoying the opportunities their Ukrainian heritage brings by participating at various camps throughout the country, and many of our members are sharing their time and medical expertise volunteering at the camp first aid stations.

July marks the beginning of medical training for recent medical graduates and the start of an exciting yet grueling education for new students. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all recent medical school graduates and first-year medical students. I wish you all the best! I encourage any recent graduates to become UMANA members if they have not done so already as medical students. UMANA is proud to welcome students and residents in the hope of providing a supportive network for the next generation. We look forward to meeting many enthusiastic new faces and hearing their innovative ideas at future chapter meetings and conferences.

We wish **Dr. Roxolana Horbowyj**, WFUMA liaison, as well as all other UMANA members who plan to attend, a successful meeting at the XII SFULT Congress in Ivano-Frankivsk, Ukraine, on September 25-September 28, 2008. We look forward to hearing details of the meeting when you return. Safe travels!

The 40th Scientific Convention and 33rd Assembly of Delegates, to be held in Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 1- July 5, 2009, is promising to be quite an event! Topics to be addressed include "Ethics, Safety, and Risk Management" and "Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Management." Many thanks to **Dr. Wayne Tymchak**, **Dr. Luba Komar**, **Dr. Maria Hrycelak**, and **Dr. George Hrycelak** for all of their hardwork and dedication. This convention will be a wonderful opportunity to not only add to our knowledge but also a chance to meet with old friends and colleagues and bring the family to explore beautiful Vancouver. I hope to see everyone there!

Sincerely,  
Ariadna Holynskyy, MD

## UMANA CHAPTER NEWS

### Washington, DC Chapter

This summer, as part of the AED Community Outreach Project, the Washington, DC Chapter continued its community outreach AED (automatic external defibrillator) project at three churches in the Washington Metro area. The Chapter coordinated and facilitated AED training for all interested volunteers, including church pastors and parishioners. Applications to certify the churches as AED sites in their jurisdiction have been submitted. Upon receipt of certification, the AEDs donated by the UMANA-DC Chapter will be installed in each church for use to improve parish emergency response resources. Full project completion is expected by Fall 2008.



Our youngest "member" practicing CPR during AED training.

## UMANA MEMBER NEWS

**Yuri Deychakiwsky\*** (Washington, DC Chapter) was listed among Top Doctors 2008 by *Washingtonian.com* and ventured to the top of Mount Rainier.

**Roxolana Horbowyj\*** and **Victor Wowk** (Washington, DC Chapter) were listed among America's Top Surgeons by the Consumer Research Council of America.

**Boris Lushniak** (Washington, DC Chapter) was awarded the PHS Outstanding Service Medal for exemplary support and leadership for the HHS response to support the public health requirements of Hurricane Katrina evacuees in San Antonio, TX.

WFUMA Board Member **Mychajlo Samotowka\*** of Huntsville, AL was listed among America's Top Surgeons by the Consumer Research Council of America.

**Danylo Shmorhun** (Washington, DC Chapter) was promoted to Head of the Department of Pediatrics at the National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, MD.

**Evhen Smorhun** (Washington, DC Chapter) was listed among Top Doctors 2008 by *Washingtonian.com*.

**Yurko Turiansky** (Washington, DC Chapter) was selected to the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education's Dermatology Residency Review Committee. He coauthored a CME article on "Cutaneous Myiasis" in the June issue of the *Journal of the American Academy of Dermatology*.

**Lesia Worobec and Greg Frykman** (Washington, DC Chapter) welcomed a new son, Andriyko.

**Andre and Becky Cap** (Washington, DC Chapter) welcomed Anna Grace Cap into the world at National Naval Medical Center on March 8, 2008 - International Women's Day! Andre Cap began his mini-fellowship at NIH to sub-specialize in allogeneic bone marrow transplantation.

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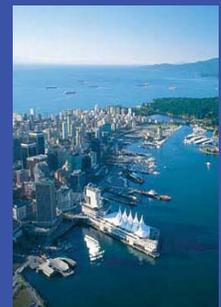
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