Sons of Ukrainian Pioneers
Winnipeg, Manitoba
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He would like you to call.

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HON. COUNCILLOR:

The above named senior's club consists of some 75 members. We meet once a month (1st Thursday) for a light lunch followed by a speaker on a topic mutually agreed upon.

Most of the members are sons or grandsons of pioneer parents who has migrated to Canada during the late 1800's and early 1900's.

Our club undertook to erect a plaque in commemoration of our kinfolk who strove with great difficulties to become worthy, loyal and contributing citizens of their chosen country.

We have erected a suitable plaque at Kildonan Park on the west side of the restaurant parking area.

Thursday, October 07th, 2004, we will unveil the plaque at 12:00 noon. A luncheon will follow at the Kildonan Park restaurant.

We humbly invite you to be present at the unveiling and luncheon.

Please call me prior to Friday, October 01st, 2004, if you will find time to attend this function.

I remain, yours truly,

John A. Melnyk

Very Rev. John A. Melnyk
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"IN COMMEMORATION"

THIS MEMORIAL PLAQUE IS DEDICATED IN TRIBUTE TO THE THOUSANDS OF UKRAINIAN IMMIGRANTS WHO WERE INVITED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA TO ACCEPT "FREE LANDS" IN WESTERN CANADA.

THEY WERE GIVEN ¼ SECTIONS OF LAND IN AREAS WHERE SOILS WERE UNFERTILE, STONY OR SWAMPY. THE MALE FAMILY MEMBERS HAD TO LEAVE SPOUSES AND CHILDREN TO WORK PART-TIME AS ITINERANT BUSH, MINE, RAILWAY AND HARVEST WORKERS TO SUPPLEMENT THEIR MEAGER INCOME.

FURTHER TO THEIR MISFORTUNES, THOSE WHO MISUNDERSTOOD THEIR STRUGGLES SUBJECTED THEM TO RIDICULE AND INTOLERANCE.

THE INTERNMENT PERIOD DURING WORLD WAR 1, THE GENERAL STRIKE OF 1919 AND THE DEPRESSION OF THE 1930'S ADDED TO THE HARDSHIPS OF OUR PEOPLE.

TODAY, WE HUMBLY PROCLAIM TO THOSE GLORIOUS PIONEERS,

"WELL DONE, YOU HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE GROWTH AND FABRIC OF CANADA."

"ETERNAL MEMORY"



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