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New Board of Directors Elected in May 2018

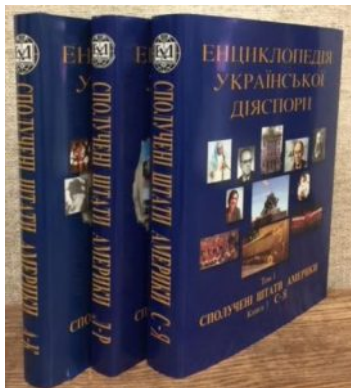
On May 19, 2018 the membership of the Shevchenko Scientific Society held its triennial General Meeting.

After reports of the other members of the Board of Directors and Committee Chairs, the membership held its election and voted in Dr. Halyna Hryn as the next President of the Shevchenko Scientific Society. [Members of the Executive committee](#) are: Dr. Virko Baley, VP; Dr. Vitaly Chernetsky, Learned Secretary; Dr. Anna Procyk, VP and Liason to Wold Council, Dr. George Grabowicz, VP and UIA/UVAN project liason; Natalia Honcharenko, Treasurer. Committee Chairs: Jurij Dobczanski, Library/Archives; Dr. Oleh Kotsyuba, IT; Dr. Vasyl Lopukh, Membership; Dr. Alexander Lushnycky, Chapter Liason, Vasyl Makhno, Publications/ Dr. Askold Melnychuk, Outreach; Dr. Olena Nikolayenko, Communications; Myroslav Smorodky, Law Advisory; Dr. Andrew

Sorokowski, Bylaws; Dr. Myron Stachiw Scholarships/Grants Program; Dr. Zenon Wasyliw, Finance; Dr. Myroslava Znayenko, Institutional Liason; Dr. Roman Kuc, Audit; Members at Large: Dr. Margarita Balmaceda, Dr. Pavlo Gintov; Dr. Taras Hunczak, Christine Karpevich, Dr. Martha Kichorowska-Kebalo, Dr. Albert Kipa, Dr. Wolodymyr Petryshyn, Dr. Iryna Vushko.

In her acceptance speech [Dr. Halyna Hryn](#) thanked the outgoing directors and congratulated the newly elected directors. She noted that many Ukrainian organizations such as the Shevchenko Scientific Society are undergoing a generational shift as evident in this election. More and more younger members are stepping up to leadership roles to continue the work of their predecessors. They bring with them new ideas and innovation for the betterment of our organization.

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Third Volume of the Encyclopedia of Ukrainian Diaspora

The third volume of the *Encyclopedia of Ukrainian Diaspora: United States of America* came out in spring 2018. It is the largest volume, with 517 pages of main text and 1,322 entries (articles). The Encyclopedia highlights the accomplishments of many Ukrainians in the United States and outstanding work of numerous civic and religious organizations. In particular, the volume covers the history of Ukrainian churches, the Ukrainian Academy of Arts and Sciences in the United States ([UVAN](#)), Ukrainian Youth Association ([CYM](#)), and the Federation of Ukrainian Student Organizations of America ([CYCTA](#)).

A dedicated group of the Society's members in three cities - Chicago, New York, and Philadelphia - has been working upon the third volume under the leadership of Orest Popovych and Alexander Lushnycky as co-editors.

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Recipients of the Special Scholarship Program

The Shevchenko Scientific Society of the United States of America is pleased to announce the names of Ukrainian students who were awarded a special scholarship for the 2018-2019 academic year. The [Special Scholarship Program](#) was designed to provide support for outstanding, highly motivated university students who experienced a disruption in their academic life as a result of their loss of a family member during the Euromaidan or the ensuing conflict in eastern Ukraine and their newly-acquired status as Internally Displaced Persons.

Between 2014 and 2018, the Shevchenko Scientific Society raised more than \$60,000 through contributions from its members in the United States and other representatives of the Ukrainian American community. Specifically, the [Ukrainian National Women's League of America](#) made a generous contribution of \$20,000, enabling the program to expand its roster of scholarship recipients to 35 high-achieving students.

The scholarship recipients were selected from a pool of 73 students, majoring in such diverse disciplines as computer science, economics, history, law, music, and theoretical physics. As a

part of their application, students submitted [essays](#), discussing how the scholarship would enable them to turn their dreams into reality. Taken as a whole, these essays reflect the aspirations of young Ukrainians to overcome enormous challenges in their personal and academic lives and make a positive contribution to the development of their home country.

For a full list of the scholarship recipients, [click here](#).



Member of the Month: Olya Yarychkivska

As a professional and a Ukrainian, I believe that it's important for me to be a part of Shevchenko Scientific Society, such a historic organization that unites great Ukrainian minds in different countries. It's truly an honor.

I study DNA methylation, which is an essential chemical modification in human genetic material and has great significance throughout normal cellular physiology and in various disease states. Currently, I'm working on developing a new technique for detection of methylated DNA on a whole-genome scale, which should make this analysis more sensitive, accurate, and economical.

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Recent and Upcoming Events

September 22, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Lecture: ***"The Ukrainian-Polish Joint Expedition to Kholm: The Artifacts of King***

Danylo from the 13th Century

Speaker: Prof. Mykola Bevz, Head of the Department of Restoration of Architectural and Artistic Heritage, the Lviv Polytechnic National University

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September 29, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Lecture: ***"Why Women Protest: Findings from the Revolution of Dignity"***

Speaker: Olena Nikolayenko, Associate Professor of Political Science, Fordham University

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October 6, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Lecture: ***"Transatlantic Youth Activism of Young Ukrainian Immigrants"***

Speakers: Alla Korzh, Assistant Professor of International Education, the School for International Training (SIT) Graduate Institute, and Serhij Kovalchuk, Lecturer, University of Toronto

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October 13, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Book Talk: ***"New Generation Political Activism in Ukraine: 2000–2014 (Routledge, 2018)"***

Speaker: Dr. Christine Emeran

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October 20, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Film Screening: ***"Krynytsia dla sprahlykh" ("Spring for the Thirsty)," directed by Yuriy Illienko, screenplay by Ivan Drach***

Opening remarks by Leonid Hrabovsky and Vasyl Makhno

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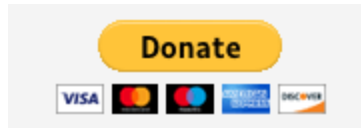
October 27, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Lecture: **"Letters from the 'Old Country':
Understanding Ukrainian Transatlantic
Family Correspondence in the 20th Century"**

Speaker: Natalia Khanenko-Friesen, Professor of
Cultural Anthropology, St. Thomas More College,
University of Saskatchewan

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