It's Ascension Thursday in Ukraine, a great feast day celebrating when Jesus ascended to God the Father in Heaven, and the Apostles and Mary the Mother of God prayed for nine days for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Як воскрес Ісус Спаситель, Він вознісся до Отця, відійшов в Божу обитель, в Царство вічного життя, щоб приготувати учням місце в небі у Отця! Обіцяв їм дати Духа, Утішителя, Творця!

UCCA also greets our friends celebrating the Feast of Weeks -

*Happy Shavuot!* May this joyous occasion bring you and your loved ones together in unity and love.

*Шавуот Хаг Смаеах!*
On this Memorial Day weekend, the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America pays homage to all U.S. military personnel who gave their lives to defend our freedoms while serving in the United States Armed Forces. Let us also remember all those who have given the greatest sacrifice to defend Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity.

We bow our heads in honor of the men and women who died protecting our freedom and democracy.

Rachael Ray honored for her career and humanitarian efforts

TV talk show host and celebrity cook Rachael Ray was selected by the Ellis Island Honors Society (EIHS) to receive the 2023 Ellis Island Medal of
Honor. Ms. Ray joined a distinguished list of honorees this year, including New York Senator Chuck Schumer, actor Liev Schreiber, and U.S. Navy Admiral Lisa Franchetti. The awards were bestowed at a special gala ceremony on May 13, held in the Great Hall at Ellis Island — the same place that many of the honorees’ family members first walked through long ago on their way to become U.S. citizen.

UCCA’s nomination of Rachael Ray for her selfless work in Ukraine afforded UCCA President Andriy Futey and Executive Director Tamara Gallo-Olexy the opportunity to help celebrate the honorees along with family and friends. UCCA also thanks Dr. Eugene Holuka, a member of the Ellis Island Medals of Honor Advisory Committee, for his support.

Since the Medal of Honor was founded in 1986, the EIHS has honored distinguished and diverse Americans including: eight Presidents of the United States, Nobel Laureates Elie Wiesel and Malala Yousufzai; Generals Norman Schwarzkopf and Colin Powell; Justice Sandra Day O’Connor; Secretaries of State Madeleine Albright, Condoleezza Rice and Hillary Clinton; Bob Hope; Muhammad Ali; Frank Sinatra; and Rosa Parks.

In addition to presenting the Ellis Island Medals of Honor, The Ellis Island Honors Society is a humanitarian organization which has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for humanitarian relief in the Ukraine.

Rachael Ray recently returned from her 4th trip to Ukraine alongside UCCA President Andriy Futey:
Register Today for “Ukrainian Days” of Advocacy

The second in-person “Ukrainian Days” advocacy event of 2023 will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, June 14-15, in Washington, DC.
On May 19, UCCA President Andriy Futey participated in two events hosted by the Illinois Division of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America. Alongside the Consul General of Ukraine in Chicago, the President of the Ukrainian World Congress, the leadership of the Selfreliance Association, and His Grace Vladyka Venedykt, Eparch of Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Chicago, Ukrainian American representatives met with Anna Fotyga, Member of the European Parliament and former Polish foreign minister.
Later that evening, UCCA's President participated in a community gathering at Chicago's famed Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art. As Third Vice President of the Ukrainian World Congress (UWC), Andriy Futey participated in UWC President Paul Grod's presentation "Supporting Ukraine in the Darkest Hour," which outlined how UWC has focused on military, economic and political support for Ukraine as well supported refugees around the world. The evening also included the first opportunity for UCCA's President to publicly congratulate Mariya Dmytriv on her recent election as President of UCCA's Illinois Division.
Приєднуйтесь до нас на Tricky Tray і вигравайте чудові призи, великані тематичні кошюки, скарби та готики!

Насолоджуйтесь смачними вареннями, коктейлі, музикою та інше!

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