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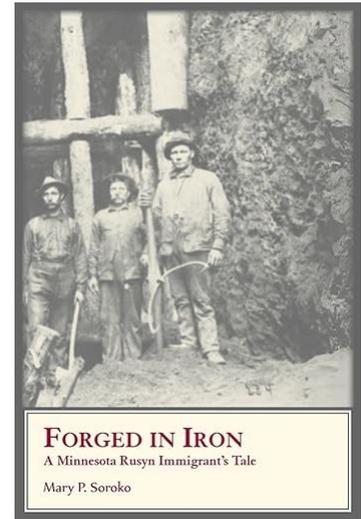
2026 Webinar Speaker Series

Saturday, August 1 10am Central Time

Forged in Iron: A Minnesota Rusyn Immigrant's Tale

With author Mary Soroko

An untold chapter of 19th century Polonia are the ambitions and challenges faced by Lemko immigrants from the Carpathian foothills who dug the Minnesota ore transported to mills in Pennsylvania and Ohio. This book is a tribute that delves into the personal histories of the author's grandparents, highlighting their immigrant journey from partitioned Poland and what is today Ukraine and Slovakia. Mary also explores the broader historical context, including the challenges faced by Carpatho-Rusyns and their search for identity.



FREE Via Zoom at:

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About the Author



Mary Soroko, Ed.D.

A retired business educator and consultant, Mary is a lifelong Minnesotan whose non-profit work has included service on the board of directors of the Rusyn Association of Minnesota. She has previously presented to groups such as the Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International and the Minnesota Civil War Roundtable.

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