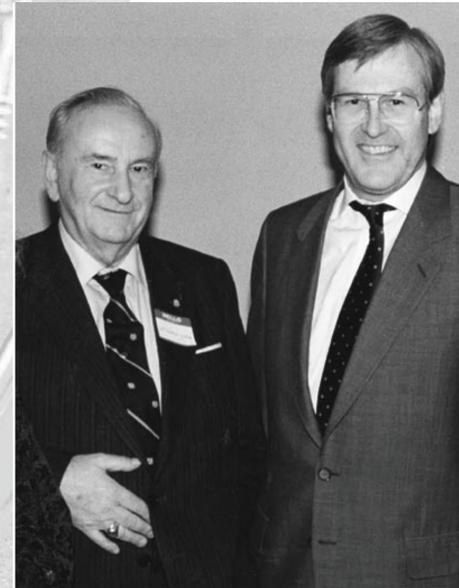


# George Korey-Krzeczowski

(1921-2007)

Writer, educator, community activist



Born in Kielce, as a young man Korey-Krzeczowski published three volumes of poetry in Polish in the late thirties. During the German occupation of Poland, he studied law in the clandestine classes of the Jagiellonian University in Cracow, earning Master of Law and Public Administration degree in 1945. In 1946, as a consul of Poland in Rumania, he negotiated the release of Polish church treasures seized during World War Two. In 1949, while working as consul in Germany, he earned two doctorates, in international law at the University of Freiburg and in economic science at the University of Tübingen, after which he abandoned his consular position and immigrated to Canada in 1951. Making a name for himself as a management consultant, he conducted over two hundred studies for corporations and governments in fifty countries. As a Vice-President of the Canadian Polish Congress, he was instrumental in building the statue of the Polish astronomer, Nicolaus Copernicus, in Montreal.

In 1970, Dr. Korey became Dean of Business and Vice-President of the Ryerson Polytechnical Institute in Toronto. In 1976, he created the Management Development Institute, and the same year obtained a charter of the Province of Ontario to establish the only private, non-profit educational institution of its kind, the Canadian School of Management. This unique school was based on the concept of applied learning to educate working adults to become managers and executives. Dr. Korey was named International Distinguished Professor of Strategic Management at the International Management Centre in Buckingham, England, and Member of the Board, the Union Graduate School in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA.

His community activities included serving as chairman of the Ontario Council on Multiculturalism, member of the Advisory Committee on the Canadian Constitution, and at the United Nations University. In 1981, he was named Man of the Year by Ethnic Press Council of Canada. He is listed in numerous *Who is Who* directories, and received a number of distinctions, Knight Commander of Justice - Order of St. John of Jerusalem, and Knight Commander of the Sovereign Order of Cyprus among others.

He is the author of several books, among them *University Without Walls* (with Dr. Y. Bogorya), *Korey's Stubborn Thoughts* (aphorisms), *Tree of Life* (poems), *Navigators Can* (memoirs). In his final years, he also published several books of memories, essays and poetry in Polish.

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• Dr. Jerzy Korey-Krzeczowski • Dr. Korey-Krzeczowski with Michael Wilson, Minister of Finance / Photo – Marek Goldyn • Dr. Korey-Krzeczowski with the Board of Directors of the Canadian School of Management  
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