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The Museum Guild of the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Member Friends,

Holiday time has come and gone with some gladness and some sadness-----isn't that the "way of the world". Children and the "child like" missed snow for beauty and activities during vacation but others were happy not to have to shovel the stuff and also, the clear highways for travel, unless of course you were flying to Denver. Those who volunteer in the museum store and galleries surely enjoyed the extra hustle and bustle plus the additional revenue for the museum. Meeting those friendly folks and guests is a joy in itself. Thanks everyone who participated and enjoyed the wonderful holiday spirit.

The 9th. Annual cookie walk was again a wonderful showcase for our members' baking talents plus Jo Anne Neff added her creative talents in donating 20 decorative Christmas plates for sale and Marj Nejd, the decorative napkin holders and, just in time, the new Guild monogrammed aprons, which will continue to be for sale. "Taste of Czech" participants will want to take advantage of these. Final receipt totals are waiting for money donations that are not in as of this time.

At our recent January meeting program was a report made by some of the members who attended the annual fall trip, which was to Kalona in October. It helped us to think of and appreciate the beauty of Iowa during autumn and the many special places that we have to enjoy. Thanks to those who signed the sheet for committee work this year, realizing that through volunteerism, our organization is able to function in the great way it does. There are a few spaces left so to those who did not get to indicate a desire to help in one way or another and would like to, please give me a call or perhaps I will be calling you.

And, at the risk of sounding somewhat similar to the last president's letter that we sent, you, "Now What"? The item that has been uppermost on my mind to day, is the jubilation that Irma Kelly and I felt as we left Innovation Designs, the printing company that is doing our cookbook project in Independence,



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yesterday. We simply stood outside and grinned at one another because we had just left the final edited copy with Dave Fauver, feeling very confident of his expertise. We realize that the next challenge will be in the marketing and I am sure chairperson, Beula Dvorak will soon have us meeting to plan that. There is a list of persons who have requested a copy in the museum store plus an Omaha organization that has been requesting some copies as soon as they are ready. Hopefully there will be more information for you at the February Guild meeting.

Our museum Guild officers remain the same with the exception of Pat Kent who will be taking the treasurer's position, as Alicia Jackson has served for the two year period. Mel Holubar is assuming the position of Museum Guild Representative to the Museum Board. I will attempt to have the list of committees completed to pass around at the February meeting.

Certainly, this Spring we will be looking forward to progress on what we now call our "Green Space" which is directly across the street from the museum where the building was demolished last summer and fall. Cindy Monroe is chairing that committee and a group of nine enthusiastic members have signed up to assist her. Thanks to all of you.

In addition, on these "cold wintry days" we can be thinking about and perhaps practicing our talents on the items that we will need for our annual Taste Of Czech which will approach this Spring, sooner than we think. Also, there may be other museum activities that Patty Hikiji finds that we can help with. So, there is no need for any of us to be bored, but rather to look forward to another year of friendly interaction among our membership. Let's make it a great 2007---with everyone's help, we surely will.

Enthusiastically,
Shirley

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2007 MUSEUM GUILD OFFICERS

President	Shirley Alexander
Vice President	JoAnn Neff
Treasurer	Pat Kent
Rec. Secretary	Cynthia Monroe
Corres. Secretary	Carolyn Holubar
Museum Guild Rep.	Mel Holubar
Ex-Officio	Andrea Siebenmann

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Helen Tucker Sorensen

DON'T FORGET

PLEASE BRING YOUR RECIPES FOR THE ITEMS THAT YOU BROUGHT TO THE COOKIE WALK. I'LL MAKE UP A BOOKLET FOR THE GUILD MEMBERS.

BRING YOUR RECIPES TO THE FEBRUARY 3RD MEETING OR MAIL THEM TO ME BY FEBRUARY 15TH.

— IRMA KELLY

A Thank You from the Tucker Family

My family and I would like to thank all of the members of the Museum Guild, for the many expressions of sympathy we received when our "Dear One" was called "home"! Thank you for the many calls, cards, gifts and prayers which we received from the members of the Museum Guild. On behalf of Bob, I would like to thank you for all of the kindness bestowed upon Bob while he was hospitalized.

Words alone cannot express how much your friendship means to us. Bob enjoyed the tremendous circle of new friends that involvement in the Guild brought him.

— Marilyn R. Tucker

Museum Guild Program

October 7, 2006

"Stepping into Better Health"

By Mada Jones

Guild members were treated to a glimpse into the fascinating field of Reflexology by Mada Jones, a certified and registered reflexologist during the October meeting. This approach to better health is finally being recognized by the medical field although some of its concepts date back to 2330 B.C.

Mada was always interested in massage, read some books on reflexology and in 1980 attended her first seminar on the subject. She began practicing after training and realized that while healing others, her patients were helping her heal after the death of her son.

The basis of this approach is that the soles of the feet relate to the whole body. Mada explained that our feet are a barometer to the way our bodies feel. When our feet hurt, we hurt all over. When our feet are cold our whole body is cold.

By massaging certain areas of the soles, nerves can be calmed and therefore pain and discomfort can be relieved. Specific areas of the soles are related to specific areas of the body.

The only tools used in reflexology are the hands. Practitioners do not diagnose, prescribe or treat for specific conditions. In an initial visit a history is taken and succeeding visits will be used for the massage. Mada said that after 1-3 visits patients will experience relief in areas of pain and discomfort. After relief is experienced, maintenance visits may be as infrequent as monthly or every six weeks.

— Fern Fackler

THE GUILDED PAGE STAFF

Marilyn Shima Tucker, Fern Fackler,
Betty Truesdell and Dorothy Voelkers



2006 Museum Guild Annual Report

Presented at the NCSML Annual Meeting, January 22, 2007

Greetings museum and board members,

This last year has certainly flown by and I am happy to again be here to report on the activities of the Museum Guild with a current membership of near 100. And may I remind those of you here, who are members, "dues are due"! It seems to be a usual occurrence that we sadly lose a valued member but also gain in return.

At the risk of sounding like "same song, second verse", from last year, I will say that it has been a very busy and productive year. Why else would we want to exist as an organization, but to work diligently to adhere to our by-laws.

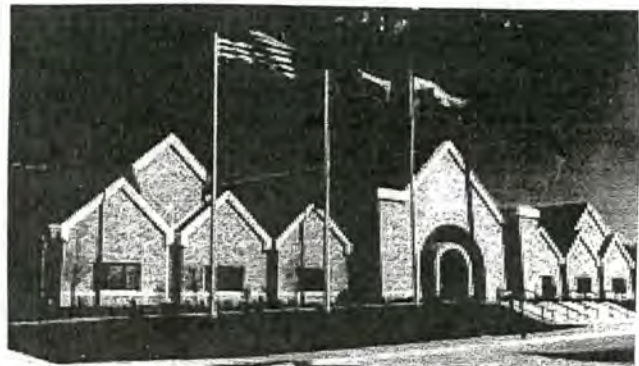
Again, last month, our annual Cookie Walk was successful with our treasurer accounting well over a thousand dollars plus monetary donations of another hundred dollars. "Taste of Czech" last spring had people lined up an hour before serving began. Sometimes we wonder if we will succeed in NOT blowing any fuses with all the crock-pots of food that we have lined up. So far we have managed.

Besides serving as docents during regular and special exhibits, assisting with museum special events, and demonstrating at Babi's Kitchen, we assisted with the annual dance festival in July. A new activity for us this past September was an involvement in the museum booth during the International Festival held in Greene Square. Our booth there certainly reminded area persons that we exist. It was an excellent way to greet former friends and make new friends in the community.

One of our members who will serve as chairperson of the Garden Committee has recently received her Master Gardener's Certification and is working with Gail on plans for our Green Space across the street. There are nine persons signed up for that committee.

And, last but certainly not least, the Cookbook committee finally feels as though they have "given birth". It has taken much more than nine months of dedication on the part of the committee to have this baby, but as we speak the printing is occurring at Dave Fauver's company, "Innovation Designs" in Independence, Iowa. More announcements regarding this very unique book of not just recipes but also Czech family histories will be coming soon! Stay tuned and best wishes to all of us in 2007!

Respectfully submitted:
Shirley Alexander





MEETING MINUTES

The Museum Guild of the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library.

Held at NCSML on January 6, 2007 at 9:00 AM.

President Shirley Alexander called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Guild gave a moment of silence for Bob Tucker.

Visitors and New Members: Helen Sorensen and Jackie Allen. Neither were present.

Hosts: Evelyn, Gary Dvorak and Barb Pulkrab presented us with a snowman theme; decorated cookies, a selection of breads, nuts, candy and drinks.

Program: Gary Dvorak spoke for Lavanda Woosley. An overview of the Oct. 21st Kalona trip. 18 members attended.

Secretary's Report:

Cindy Monroe is not present.

Corresponding Secretary's Report:

Carolyn Holubar provided a sympathy card to be signed by all the Guild members and sent to Marilyn Tucker.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Bal:	\$5,483.89
Receipts:	1,895.49
Disbursements:	359.00
Ending Balance:	7,020.38
One bill presented:	5.38

Czech/Slovak word of the day:

English	Czech	Slovak
New Year's Eve	Silvestr	Silvester
* New Year's Day	* Nový rok	* same
Happy New Year	Šťastný nový rok	same
Epiphany	Dení tri Kralů	*Dentoch Kašpar, Melichar a Kralóv Baltazar (K+M+B)

*National Holiday

Museum Representative: Leo Modracek. Not

Present

Volunteer Coordinator: Patty Hikiji

Her report will be at the next meeting.

Committee Reports:

Fundraising - Irma Kelly, Cookiewalk, a success but final totals not in yet.

Cookbook: on it's way to the printers!!!

Membership: Milly Ortner. Dues are due.

The February Meeting will feature Mark Stoffer Hunter - "Holy History".

Garden: Cindy Monroe, not present.

Publications: Marilyn Tucker, information must be in by January 15.

Social: Dorothy Voelkers and Milly Ortner for February meeting.

Education: Jan Stoffer;

Jan. 13. Works inspired by Andy Warhol, Student Art Exhibit.

Jan. 18. Learn at Lunch, life of Andy Warhol.

Jan. 22. Life Long Learning. Uof I, Craig Adcock speaking on the Artist of the Century.

History and Property: Andrea Siebenmann, nothing to report at this time.

Public Relations: Carol Ann Rexroat, not present.

Old Business: Auditing Committee Fern Fackler, Pat Kent and Virginia Wilts will meet today after this meeting.

Joanne Neff's donation to the Cookie Walk, two decorated plates are left and are for sale.

New Guild Aprons for sale - Marj Nejd, \$10ea

New Business: Sign Up sheets were passed for the 2007 Committees.

Coming Out Party on February 16th. "A funky back to the 1970s."

Door Prize: A book of Czech history and recipes, donated by Shirley Alexander was won by Bill Shiffer.

Adjournment: Barb Pulkrab and 2nd by Joanne Neff.

Respectfully submitted for Cindy Monroe,
Carolyn Holubar

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2006 Receipts and Disbursements

	<u>Jan.</u>	<u>Feb.</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>Jun</u>	<u>Jul</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sep</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>	Annual Total To Date
Beg. Bal.	5,275.76	5,805.27	6,093.66	6,169.06	4,932.23	5,807.67	5,716.63	5,595.92	5,570.42	5,448.94	5,483.53	5,483.89	5,275.76
Receipts													
Dues	430.00	360.00	70.00	30.00	10.00		50.00	20.00			80.00	260.00	1,310.00
Donations	20.00	35.00	20.00	250.00							30.00		355.00
Taste of Czech					1,375.80	20.00	15.00			25.00			1,435.80
Cookie Walk	70.00											1,134.50	1,204.50
Decorative Plates												300.00	300.00
Old Cook Books													
New Cook Books													
Aprons													
Cash drawer returned					100.00							40.00	40.00
Interest	9.51	9.23	10.40	8.17	9.63	9.65	9.74	9.50	8.69	9.59	9.00	10.99	114.10
Total Receipts	529.51	404.23	100.40	288.17	1,495.43	29.65	74.74	29.50	8.69	34.59	119.00	1,895.49	5,009.40
Disbursements													
Endowment Fund		25.00		1,525.00								25.00	1,575.00
Newsletter		90.84				120.69			130.17		94.73		436.43
Programs			25.00					25.00					50.00
Taste of Czech							170.45						
Cash Drawer					100.00							150.00	250.00
Cookie Walk													
Aprons Purchased												144.00	
Fall Dinner												40.00	
NCSML - Typewriter					519.99								519.99
Museum Exhibit													
New Cook Book													
Postage & Cards, etc.													
Hosting Potluck												23.91	
Miscellaneous							25.00	30.00					
Total Disbursements	0.00	115.84	25.00	1,525.00	619.99	120.69	195.45	55.00	130.17	0.00	118.64	359.00	3,264.78
Ending Balance	5,805.27	6,093.66	6,169.06	4,932.23	5,807.67	5,716.63	5,595.92	5,570.42	5,448.94	5,483.53	5,483.89	7,020.38	7,020.38
Member Paid Dues- for Current Year (Year to date)	45	80	87	90	91	91	95	96	96	96	97	97	

Editors Note: This report was prepared by Alicia Jackson
2006 Museum Guild Treasurer

Museum Guild Program
November 4, 2006
"Andy Warhol Exhibit"
By Jan Stoffer

I eagerly anticipated Jan's presentation and our tour of the exhibit. It was exciting to have such a well renowned artist presenting 23 of his original works. The paintings were originally from the collection of the Cochran family from LaGrange, Georgia.

Warhol was born to Slovak immigrants who had settled in a Slovakian ghetto in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Andy often mentioned he, too, felt like an immigrant - learning the language and customs from his parents. His mother was a folk artist and he learned a great deal from her. He used seven main themes; the prevalent one was showing what America meant to him. His artistic style, as well as lifestyle were well known in the northeast states but he was little known in the south. He was working on his depiction of the "moon walk" when he died.

Jan supplied each of the docents with a packet of information and cautioned that since Warhol might have been controversial to some, that "we remain a cool distance" in passing judgment and listen for impressions and observations from others.

Then, Jan surprised us by giving us an assignment - to create our own Warhol-like piece of art which we will share at the March 3, 2007 guild meeting. That should be fun and interesting. Thank you Jan, and Edie for the enlightening lecture and tour of the wonderful exhibit -the first world renowned artist in our gallery.

— Betty Truesdell

Thank You!

Thank you to the Guild members who helped with the "Brewnost" fund-raiser - by baking, working in the kitchen, or keeping the tables re-supplied during the course of the evening.

Thank you to the Guild members who participated in this year's **ASK ME!** Membership campaign.
39 volunteers sold memberships (23 Guild members & 16 non-Guild members)
81 memberships were sold
\$3,740.00 was raised

Museum Guild Program
January 6, 2007
"October Field Trip to Kalona"
By Gary Dvorak



Gary presented an overview of the trip. A beautiful fall day made the trip pleasant. He particularly enjoyed the family owned woodworking shop where he purchased a couple of unique items which he shared.

The Amish luncheon was held at "Sylvia's House" which included tapioca pudding salad, two different meats, breads, jams, etc. and four different pies. The cooking was done in two kitchens. Six ladies are licensed to serve and a daughter and granddaughter also helped.

The bus returned at 5:15 p.m.

Betty Gallagher added that the host was very informative, the meal was wonderful as was the entire day. Stops were also made at the cheese shop and grocery store.

Fern Fackler pointed out that we need to be sensitive to the Amish culture and its differences. Young girls start wearing the Amish caps at eight or nine years of age. Mary, the tour guide, encouraged the guests to eat the tapioca first as it was served as a salad, not dessert. The whole family gathered on the front porch to bid the guests goodbye, which Fern found to be very charming.

Thank you, Lavanda Woosley, for planning the trip. I only wish I had been along.

— Betty Truesdell

The volunteers selling the most memberships were:
Dolores Blood, Ann Kloubec, and JoAnn Ferguson.

Winner of the random drawing for the Bohemian crystal bowl was Carolyn Holubar.

Patricia Hikiji
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TOP TEN GUILD VOLUNTEERS

OCTOBER 2006

Number of Guild members recording hours in October — 36

Number of Guild Hours recorded — 379.75

Alicia Jackson	27.25
Ed Volsch	27.00
Lu Volsch	27.00
Shirley Alexander	22.50
Dolores Usher	20.00
Ann Kloubec	19.50
Betty Suchan	18.00
Lillian Kopecky	17.50
Charles Opatrny	16.00
John Cimburek	14.00
Laverne Fisher	14.00
Carolyn Holubar	14.00
Ed Hemphill	10.50
Joan Hemphill	10.50
Cindy Monroe	10.50

NOVEMBER 2006

Number of Guild members recording hours in November — 39

Number of Guild Hours recorded — 565.25

Ann Kloubec	89.50
Marj NejdI	60.50
Marilyn Tucker	33.50
Lu Volsch	25.50
Ed Volsch	22.00
Betty Suchan	21.00
Charles Opatrny	20.00
Betty Gallagher	18.00
Laverne Fisher	17.50
Ed Hemphill	17.00
Alicia Jackson	17.00

DECEMBER 2006

Number of Guild members recording hours in December — 44

Number of Guild Hours recorded — 693.00

Ann Kloubec	59.00
Dolores Usher	43.00
Lu Volsch	42.50
Betty Gallagher	40.50
Ed Volsch	35.00
Marj NejdI	34.50
Shirley Alexander	30.00
Alicia Jackson	25.75
Carolyn Holubar	25.50
Charles Opatrny	23.00

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Patricia A. Hikiji
Volunteer Coordinator

Number of Guild members recording hours in 2006 — 64

Number of hours recorded by Guild members in 2006 — 7199

Range in recorded hours — 2 hours to 420.25 hours

Guild Members Service Hours by Category

<u>No. of Hours</u>	<u>Number of Guild Volunteers</u>
2 — 50	23
51 — 151	23
152 - 250	12
251 — 421	6

TOP TEN LIST FOR 2006

Ann Kloubec	420.25
Dolores Usher	393.50
Shirley Alexander	336.25
Carolyn Holubar	327.50
Emil Koval	308.00
Alicia Jackson	253.50
Marj NejdI	247.00
Cindy Monroe	228.00
Marilyn Tucker	221.00
Mel Holubar	215.00

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Marilyn Shima Tucker
Editor



NEXT MEETING

9:00 A.M.

Saturday

February 3, 2007

Irma & Leo Modracek

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UPCOMING GUILD MEETINGS

Saturday, February 3, 2007

9:00 a.m. at the

National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library

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Presented by Mark Stoffer Hunter

Hosts: Dorothy Voelkers and Milly Ortnr

Saturday, March 3, 2007

9:00 a.m. at the

National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library

“EXPERIENCE IN UKRAINE”

Presented by Don Wickenkamp

Hosts: Martha Divishek, Lydia Elias, Irma Kelly

Saturday, April 7, 2007

9:00 a.m. at the

National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library

Program: To be Announced

Hosts: Carol Ann Rexroat and Marilyn Tucker

From the Board and Membership of
The Museum Guild
OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

to

The Family and Friends of



EVELYN LAMPAREK

Guild Founder and Member



ROBERT A. TUCKER

Guild Member