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President's Message

Dear Museum Guild Members:

As the Guild's fourth year draws to a close, I would like to express my appreciation, and thank you for all of your friendship and assistance during my term as your President. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve you.

Participation in the Guild has enriched and brought joy to my life. You have all been kind and helpful which makes one proud to be part of such a fine group of people working together for a common goal. I thank you all for your support and encouragement. The committee chairmen took their responsibilities seriously and did a great job. We all owe them a big thank you for the benefits that their efforts produced for the Guild. All of the officers on the Board have been great to work with. I feel privileged for the opportunity not only to work with them for the benefit of the Guild and the Museum, but I also feel privileged to have had the opportunity to get to know these wonderful people better (those of us who were merely acquaintances have now become good friends through the process of carrying out our Guild responsibilities).

We all enjoyed the delicious refreshments that our hostesses provided at each of our monthly meetings. Thank you to all who provided these much anticipated treats—the refreshment break was always the highlight of each meeting!

I would like to thank Suzanne Charipar for always making it possible for us to hold our meetings at the Museum. We appreciate Suzanne's steadfast and cheerful cooperation.

All of us in the Guild are extremely pleased with the fine job that Dan Baldwin, the Museum's Executive Director, is doing. We applaud his skills in management and human relations.

The 1997 Board cordially invites you to a Thank You Party on Saturday, February 14, 1998. Our Board is sponsoring this party to honor and thank you. We hope that you will make plans to attend.

I extend my best wishes to the 1998 Board and I pledge to support and help them in any way that I can.

Sincerely, Marilyn R. Tucker



Report of the President

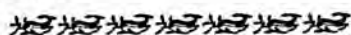
This officer has completed, to date, all the duties assigned to the office in the Bylaws of the Guild.

A partial list of these activities and general information include:

- Presided at all monthly meetings, with the exception of January while recuperating from an accident. Vice President Fern Fackler presided at this meeting
- Held a board meeting each month with the exception of September when it was cancelled due to an electrical storm
- Conducted all correspondence to this office, maintained files and records
- At the request of the Guild membership, attended *An Evening With the Ambassador* as the official Guild Representative
- Served as a judge for the selection of the Czech Prince and Princess
- Attended special meetings as needed to conduct Guild business
- The Guild membership as of this date (November 15, 1997) is 106
- Guild volunteer hours to the Museum through October 31, 1997 are 4,819
- The two major donations to the Museum this year benefited the library: A book truck in the amount of \$244.15, and the Vertical File project in the amount of \$480.00. Other donations (such as engraved name tags for the museum staff, refreshments for receptions, etc.), will be itemized in the Treasurer's year end report

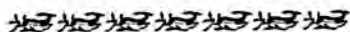
This officer is grateful to the excellent Guild officers; to Patti Hikiji, Museum Programs and Volunteer Coordinator; to Suzanne Charipar, Gift Store Manager; and to Dan Baldwin, Executive Director, for their cooperation and enthusiastic support. The assistance and encouragement of her husband made it possible for this officer to serve. She has enjoyed the experience, and thanks you for the opportunity.

Marilyn R. Tucker, President



Secretary: Barb Edmunds

It has been an interesting two years as Guild Recording Secretary. Thank you for putting up with my lengthy secretary reports. It just goes to show we are a very active group when you read all that has taken place. Thanks to all that has made the Guild what it is today and good luck to the 1998 new officers.



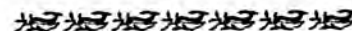
To Guild Members:

Thank you very much for trusting me with your money for two years. It was a valuable experience & I appreciate your confidence in me.

See you at future meetings,

Leni Stastny

Treasurer



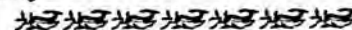
To the Members of the Museum Guild:

As our year comes to a close, I just want to say it was a pleasure working with Marilyn Tucker and the other Board Members. We owe Marilyn a debt of gratitude for going ahead with her responsibilities despite her broken leg, and she did a fine job.

I look forward to another successful year.

Betty Truesdell

Corresponding Secretary



1997 Guild Thank you's

- 1... Marilyn & Bob Tucker. Opening their home for our monthly board meetings and all the wonderful refreshments.
- 2... Leni Stastny: Updating the membership lists on a monthly basis.
- 3... Terri Spahn: Wonderful job on the "Guild" newsletter.
- 4... Milly Ortner: All the wonderful monthly Czech words.
- 5... Marj Nejd: The beautiful door prizes she has created & furnished during the year.
- 6... Guild Hostesses: All the tempting (non-fat) desserts at our Guild meetings. They were great.
- 7... National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library: For making room in their busy schedule for us to meet at the Museum.
- 8... Program Committee: What a wonderful year with all the interesting programs & Speakers.
- 9... Committee Chairs & Committees: Thank's to all for your hard work this past year.
- 10... To the NC&SM&L Staff: For their interest in attending our meetings and keeping us informed about the Museum's programs.
- 11... To all Members: Thank you for your faithful attendance and volunteering at the Museum.



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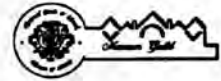
Hats off to our Milly Ortner for her willingness to share her Czech language background with us. At our monthly Guild meetings we can count on Milly to have a very timely word/words. To refresh your memory and mine, here are her 1997 Czech words:

JANUARY:	DEST SNIH	RAIN SNOW
FEBRUARY:	SRDCE	HEART
MARCH:	VELIKONOCE KRASLICE	EASTER EASTER EGG
APRIL:	DUBEN	APRIL
MAY:	HOUBY	MUSHROOM
JUNE:	ZAHRADA	GARDEN
JULY:	DOBROVOLNIK	VOLUNTEER
AUGUST:	KAVA A KNIHY	COFFEE & BOOKS
SEPTEMBER:	HRBITOV	CEMETERY
OCTOBER:	PODZIMNI LISTY	AUTUMN LEAVES
NOVEMBER:	LIST	LEAF

THANKS, MILLY.



**MUSEUM GUILD
1997 OFFICERS**



President	Marilyn R. Tucker
Vice-president	Fern Fackler
Recording Sec.	Barb Edmunds
Treasurer	Leni Stastny
Corresponding Sec.	Betty Truesdell
Museum Guild Rep.	Frank Edmunds
Ex-Officio	Sylvia Rohlena

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Education	Irma Kelly
Fund Raising	Beula Dvorak
History	Vera Conway
Membership	Milly Ortner
Program	John Rocarek
Publications	Terri Spahn-Co-chair Maridee Dugger " "
Public Relations	Sherry Bowers
Social	Sylvia Rohlena

1997 Museum Guild Meeting Hostesses

January 4 Sylvia Rohlena	July 14 Betty Petrzalek Hermine Rigel
February 1 Marie Webster Olga Drahozal	August 11 Irma Modracek Olga Sedenka
March 1 Barb Edmunds Mary Ann Barry	September 6 Vera Hanson Mana Zlatohlavek Emma Davidson
April 5 Sherry Bowers Beula Dvorak Terri Spahn	October 4 Milly Ortner Anne Reif Sr. Virginia Kremalek Sr. Christine Elias
May 3 Fern Fackler Marlene Schrimper Maridee Dugger	November 1 Patti Marolf Jan Podzimek Barb Pulkrab
June 9 Fran Hanzel Johnson Leni Stastny	December 13 Bob Stone Marge Stone Vera Conway

GUILD NEWS ...



Welcome New Members:

Berni Donnelly

Merry Christmas ... to all!

Get well ... Zula!



thank you from ... Marilyn & Bob

A THANK YOU

It was a wonderful experience attending *An Evening With The Ambassador* On October 25th at the Museum. The evening was special in many ways, but the most meaningful element of the event was the fact that the Guild Members voted to send their president and the president's spouse to this noteworthy event.

Bob joins me in thanking you for this distinctive honor that you bestowed upon us.

Marilyn R. Tucker, President

note: Cedar Rapids Gazette photos:

Happy 89th Birthday ... Mildred Chadima



Don & Barb Pulkgrab ... 40th Wedding Anniversary

49 Years Married for the Usher's



ATTENTION ... RECIPES NEEDED!!

Cookbooks (1) Mushrooms (2) Dumplings



A meeting with Penfield Press was held November 20th. The enclosed page 1 contains instructions, and page 2 is a form to be used in submitting your recipes. Please send them immediately to the address shown on page 2 (Penfield Press).

Penfield needs **100-115** recipes using mushrooms, and another **100-115** recipes for dumplings, as these are two separate books.

Recipes are needed from contributors by January 25, 1998. (It would be a good idea to do this now before we get busy with the holidays). Credit and a complimentary cookbook will be given to each contributor and to the Guild. The Guild will receive \$300 for our efforts from Penfield Press for making these books possible. (\$300 for mushroom recipes and \$300 for dumpling recipes for a total of \$600).

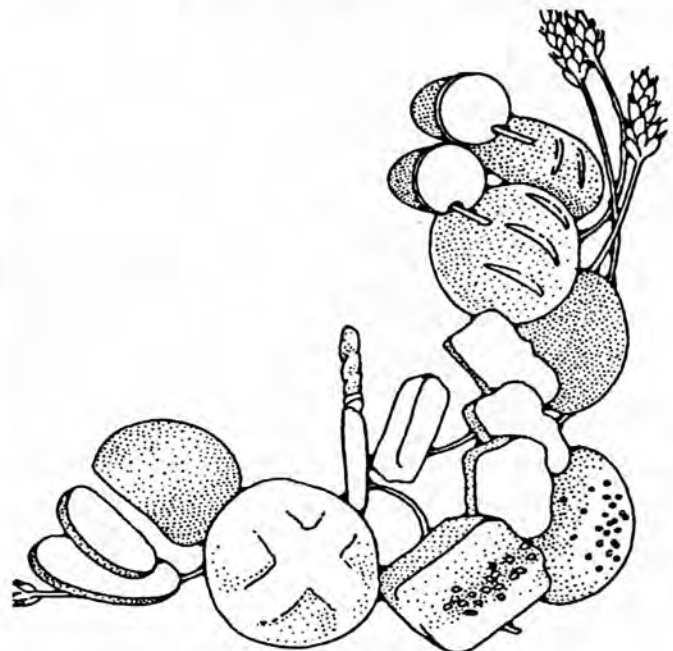
It is possible to use recipes you find in publications that you have modified or adapted. To use an existing recipe which is in a copyrighted publication, three things need to be changed. The changes can be ingredients, methods, and name in any combination—as long as a total of three things are changed. **DO NOT COPY RECIPES FROM EXISTING BOOKS JUST AS THEY ARE PRINTED WITH ONLY A CHANGE OF NAME.**

The publisher will return typeset pages of recipes to contributors so they can check that all is correct.

The publisher reserves the right to edit as necessary, with approval, and to delete contributions.

Thank you for helping with this project.

**JOIN IN THE FUN ...
HELP RAISE FUNDS ...
SEND YOUR RECIPES ...
ASAP**



Mana Zlatohlavek

FLAKY NUT CRESCENT ROLLS
(Makes two rolls)

- 1 Pkg. active dry yeast
- 1/4 c. warm water
- 2 c. sifted flour
- 1 tbsp. sugar
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 c. chopped almonds or pecans

- 1/2 c. chilled butter
- 1/4 c. scalded milk
- 1 slightly beaten egg yolk
- Meringue Filling
or Nut Filling
- *** I use the nut filling**



Soften yeast in water. Sift together dry ingredients. Cut in butter until mixture is like cornmeal or peas. Mix cooled milk and egg yolk. Add with yeast to flour: Stir to make soft dough. Cover, chill for a few hours or overnight. Halve dough. (keep half chilled) On floured surface roll one piece in 12" x 9" rectangle about 1/8" thick. Reserve 2 tbsp. meringue filling for glaze. Spread dough with half of remainder. Sprinkle with half the nuts. Roll as for jelly roll, seal edges and ends. Place roll, seam down on jelly roll pan. Shape into crescent, flatten slightly. Repeat with remaining dough. Cover, let rise in warm place until almost double. (about 1 hour) Brush with reserved meringue. Garnish with sliced almonds. Bake in moderate oven at 375 degrees F. about 20 minutes or until done.

Meringue Filling:

Fold 1/2 c. sugar into 1 stiff beaten egg white.

Nut Filling:

- 1 lb. ground nuts
- 1 c. sugar
- 2 tbsp. melted butter or margarine

- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 tsp. almond extract



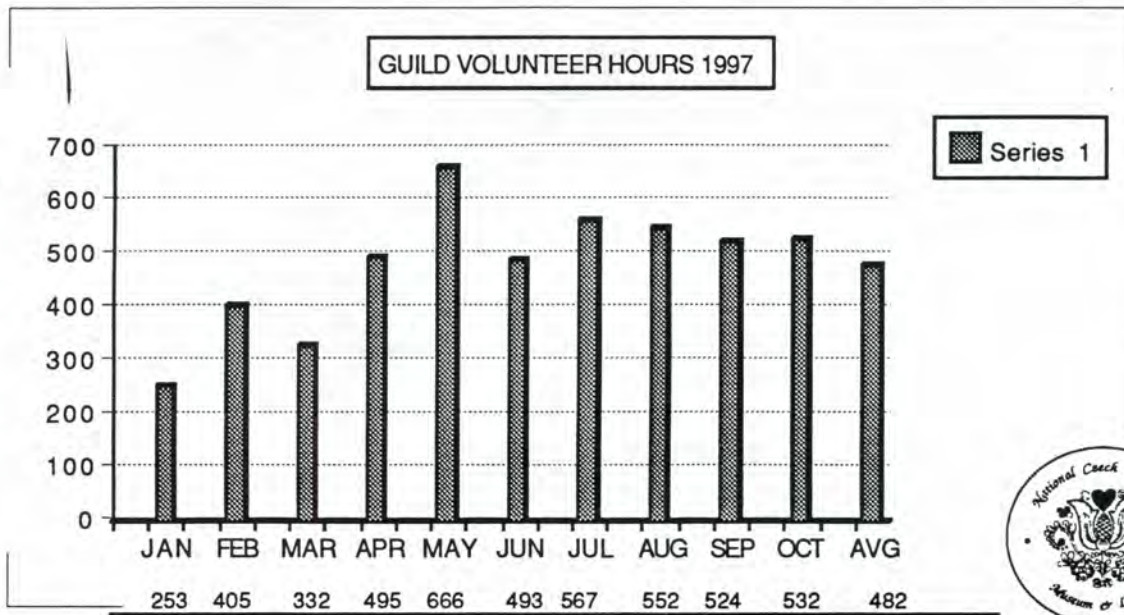
Mix nuts and sugar with a fork. Add melted shortening, vanilla and almond flavoring and mix well. Any leftover nut filling can be frozen.



Something good from the Kitchen of ...

VOLUNTEERS

ARE NEEDED



Top Ten List of Museum Volunteers

SEPTEMBER 1997

OCTOBER 1997

Marge Stone	28.25	Anne Reif	31.25
Barb Pulkrab	25.00	Marha Divishek	24.50
Bob Stone	22.00	Mana Zlatohlavek	22.75
Frank Edmunds	22.00	Marjorie NejdI	20.00
Mana Zlatohlavek	21.75	Sr. Christine Elias	19.00
Anne Reif	21.50	Barb Pulkrab	18.50
Patti Marolf	20.25	Zula Oujiri	18.25
Irene Hamous	19.00	Wanda Koutny	17.50
Mildred Chadima	17.75	Milly Ortner	17.00
Irma Rozek	16.00	Ed Kuba	15.50
September Total Hours	523.50	October Total Hours	531.25



The Fund Raising Committee has a good supply of

1000 Years of Czech Culture lapel pins and pens for sale. They sell for \$2.00 each. These would make nice stocking stuffers for Christmas, or an appreciated small gift for your friends, and family.

Please wear yours... people will ask about them and want to purchase some for their personal use and for gifts. Please support our fund raising committee. Thank you.

Be sure to check out the Gift Shop for your Christmas giving!

HELP WANTED:

The Museum needs more volunteers. Can you help out? Do you know someone who would like to volunteer at the Museum?

Call: Patty Hikiji at 362-8500

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Terri L. Spahn, Editor



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DECEMBER 13
"Holidays at Granger House"
tour in Marion. The Granger
House will be "decked out" for
the holidays. Enjoy a nostalgic
guided tour, taking you back to a
simpler time.

Upcoming Guild Meetings ...