

THE GUILDED PAGE

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



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are The Guild of NCSML.

You are The Guild of NCSML. There are some 96 on your membership roster. Invitations to join our membership cite our volunteerism for two annual fundraisers, educational programs, cultural events, and as tour guides, exhibit attendants, and as active participants in community activities for NCSML. We are much more than even these important descriptives.

**You live in Czech neighborhoods, attend churches with Czech roots, and embrace Czech-Slovak organizations and agencies that are support systems for NCSML.

**You are teachers for our 140-year old Czech School. Your children and grandchildren attend this summer-session school. You also serve on the Czech School board, help with the school fundraisers, and you attend their end-of-summer programs.

**You support Czech Village merchants. You shop Czech Village with regularity and take friends, relatives, and visitors there also. You also take these friends, visitors, and relatives to NCSML.

**You are docents/gallery attendants at two sites now: NCSML at Lindale and Cedar Rapids Museum of Arts new exhibit, "Treasures from the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library."

**You belong to Sokol and you also attend exercise/social events sponsored by Sokol. You belong to Czech Heritage Foundation and help blend the strength and skill of that group with the skills and strength of NCSML Guild.

**Some 12 Guild members attended the Gazette-sponsored



AUTUMN 2009

Neighborhood Picnic in July. You represented NCSML and talked with merchants, government leaders, and Gazette reporters.

**You cultivate interest in Czech-Slovak heritage through "Taste of Czech & Slovak" during Houby Days and Cookie Walk in December. Volunteers with cooking and/or time for this year's "Taste" numbered 97.

**With your money as well as your time, you support NCSML's Slovo Magazine as well as museum exhibits and fund-raisers such as BrewNost.

**This summer you attended three important input meetings regarding the path NCSML will take with new construction. You made your voices heard, even on one very stormy evening, because you possess strong concern about your heritage.

**You PERFORM your culture. You publish books, teach the Czech arts to people of all ages and ethnic backgrounds, and stage art and musical events for the public. Your organization regularly has an entry in the Houby Days Parade.

**You are loyal to NCSML, the staff, and its purpose, even if you do not agree whole-heartedly with every decision made.

**And not all of you are personally of Czech or Slovak heritage! Yet you are indefatigable in preserving this beautiful culture!

Dear Guild members, your worth is beyond measure. You are priceless.

Pat Martin,
President, NCSML Guild



2009 MUSEUM GUILD OFFICERS

President	Pat Martin
Vice President	Gary Dvorak
Treasurer	Alicia Jackson
Rec. Secretary	Carolyn Holubar
Corres. Secretary	Shirley Alexander
Museum Guild Rep.	Mel Holubar
Ex-Officio	Marilyn Tucker

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Fran Hanzel Johnson

Pam Novy

Diana Geoffrey

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Marilyn Shima Tucker, Editor
Dolores Blood
Fern Kaplan Fackler
Alicia Jackson
Pat Martin
Helen Sorensen
Dorothy Voelkers

DID YOU KNOW ?

Marj NejdI won First Place at Iowa State Fair for one of her decorated eggs? Congratulations Marj!

Andrea Siebenmann is now a United States Citizen? Congratulations Andrea!

Our Guild will soon be gearing up for our Annual Cookie Walk?

When we have money or checks collected from our various fund raisers, etc., we need to get the funds to our treasurer, Alicia Jackson within three days.

When we receive a check for reimbursement from our treasurer, we need to cash it promptly.



MARJ NEJD I

CONGRATULATIONS

TO:

Jan Stoffer and Mark Stoffer Hunter
on the birth of their daughter.

The Museum Guild of National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library met at Lindale NCSML on July 11, 2009.

President Pat Martin called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and Vice President, Gary Dvorak led the pledge of Allegiance. There were 37 members present. We were happy to welcome long time members, Bonnie Stepanek and Charles Opatrny.

Program: Marge Stone introduced our speaker, Samantha Hubler former Iowa Czech & Slovak Princess who told of her experiences and indicating they were generally very positive ones for her despite the heat and last minute stress with her kroje at the contest in Wilber, NE.

Refreshment: Helene Golden and Leni Stastny served Delicious refreshments

Czech & Slovak Vocabulary was given by Bob Stone, again ably assisted by Andrea Siebenman. He gave us the words pertaining to the Houby Days Festival written in the last Guilded Page which included festivals, mushrooms, morels, mushroom Hunter and Houby Days.

Officer's Reports:

Recording Secretary, Carolyn Holubar read the minutes of the June meeting. One correction was made to the effect that receipts for Taste of Czech & Slovak were presented and approved. They were then approved.

Corresponding Secretary, Shirley Alexander reported she would be writing to families of Vera Hanson, Irma Kelly, Irma Rosek, Carl Landergott, Dorothy Conner and Irma Modracek to tell them that \$25. Memorials have been sent to the NCSML as a tribute to each of them.

Treasurer: Alicia Jackson's financial report indicates a current balance of \$10,143.68. She put a motion before the group to present Gail Naughton with \$4,000. for museum operating expenses. Motion carried. Motion was made and seconded to buy a coffeepot to be used currently at the Lindale store museum facility.

Volunteer Coordinator: Patty Hikiji gave a listing of volunteer hours for 33 Guild members last month which included 5 hours at CRMA new Czech & Slovak exhibit prepared by curator Stephanie Kohn. She reviewed upcoming Guild related events.

Museum Guild Representative, Mel Holubar rescinded his report to Gail Naughton who gave us an update on museum progress which included work begun on the Kosek Building remodeling and review of the series of three museum group meetings at the African American Museum which are giving all members an opportunity to voice opinions regarding a new building and its location.

Ex-Officio Marilyn Tucker indicated that the Guilded Page is on its way to the press and will soon be in the mail to each of us.

Committee Reports:

Marie Webster, chair of the Cookie Walk promotion on August 15th. "Christmas in August" said that Jessie Stastny and Shirley Alexander would be helping her make the Cookie Walk samples to be sold that day. Focus will be on the new Christmas ball ornament selection with personalizing by Marge Nejd. Donna Merkle said there would be musical activities during the afternoon.

Social: Lu Volsch indicate hostesses for August meeting would be Laverne Fisher, Vera Conway and Betty Krall. Education: Bob Stone reported on the Adult Education Czech School classes being held five weekly evenings taught by two teachers from the Czech Republic. Marge Pace reminded us of the ice cream social to be held at the conclusion of the children's summer school sessions. Cake donations would be appreciated.

Membership chair: Milly Ortner promises that another new member is in the offing.

Cindy Monroe, Garden Chair indicates frustration regarding availability of mulch and wondered if anyone could help out with a drag. She said the moving of the Immigrant House to the Bulicek property has been delayed. Jessie Stastny: program chair said that "Gail Naughton Reports" would be the program next month.

Marie Cada and Leni Stastny who each won a live or an artificial plant won the meeting attendance lottery.

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Alexander,
Recording Secretary Pro Tem

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

to
The Family and Friends of
Guild Member
JOAN HEMPHILL



and
KARLA ZAHRADNIK





The Museum Guild of National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library met at the NCSML at Lindale on August 1, 2009.

Gary Dvorak, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gary Dvorak, Vice President.

Program: Presented by Gail Naughton, President/CEO of NCSML. She reported on the recent Public Input Survey Findings which was conducted by MindFire Communications, Lynn Manternach, Ph.D., answered questions from Guild members concerning various museum projects, invited members to "Project Unveiling" at the Kosek Building, at noon, Wednesday, August 5th with several state Senators to be in attendance from the Re-build Iowa Project. Gail thanked members for their continued activity and interest. She and the Museum Directors have tried to be open and visible to do the right things to serve the mission of the Museum and to come back stronger and better in the end.

Czech & Slovak Vocabulary: Bob Stone presented the following for the Czech and Slovak museum volunteers: August 1, 2009

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1 August 2009

English: 1. Do you speak Czech (Slovak)? Only a little bit
2. Do you want to speak Czech (Slovak) better? Certainly.

Czech: 1. Mluvíte česky? Jen trochu.
2. Chcete mluvit česky lépe? Jisté (určitě)

Slovak: 1. Hovoríte po slovensky: Trochu (malo)
2. Chcete hovoriť po slovensky lepšie: určite.

Vice President Gary Dvorak read a letter from President Pat Martin pertaining to the annual Czech School program which was presented July 17th at Wilson School. Some 400 children sang, dramatized, played musical instruments and presented "Czech history in a nutshell." This was the 140th summer session. The following Guild members were involved: Donna Merkle, Marj Nejd, Milly Ortner, Marie Cada, Betty Gallagher and Lenora Watson. Guild members Milly Ortner and Marge Pace serve on the Ceska Skola board of directors. Gary also read a letter from Gail Naughton, President/CEO thanking the Museum Guild for the donation of \$2,000 from the Taste of Czech proceeds and the additional donation of \$1,000.

Recording Secretary: The minutes of the July Guild meeting were approved with one correction; Bonnie Sedlacek should read Bonnie Stepanek.

Treasurer: Alicia Jackson reported a balance of \$7,228.68 ending July 31, 2009. Alicia presented a bill of \$66.00

for the newsletter. Motion to approve the bill by Dorothy Voelkers, seconded and carried.

Volunteer Coordinator Report: Patricia Hikiji gave her report. (report attached).

Patricia also asked Guild members to please help distribute RACK cards.

Committee Reports:

Marie Webster gave an update on the Christmas in August event which will be held at the NCSML at Lindale August 15, 2009.

Social: Lu Volsch reported on plans for the Babi's Kitchen event to be held at St. Ludmila Church, September 26th, 2009. Janelle Kamerling from Kirkwood will be demonstrating the art of making apple strudel. Helpers will be needed.....sign up.

Lu Volsch announced that the hostess for the September Guild meeting will be Barb Pulkrab and Betty Gallagher.

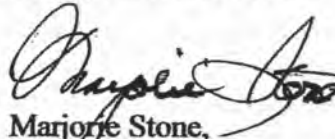
Publication: Marilyn Tucker announced that September 15th is the newsletter deadline.

Program: Jessie Stastny announced that the September Guild program will be an update on the Wilson Monument Project and the Woodrow Wilson Train Station in Prague, given by Gail Naughton.

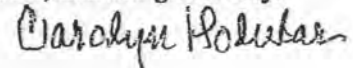
Vice President, Gary Dvorak, reported that Shirley Rosencrans is no longer the Museum Gift Store Manager.

Meeting Attendance Lottery: Don Pulkrab won the prize, a "Dobry Den" apron, decorated by Marj Nejd.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM.


Marjorie Stone,
Secretary pro tem

Retyped by Carolyn Holubar, Recording Secretary.







The Museum Guild of National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library met at the NCSML at Lindale on September 12, 2009.

Pat Martin called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gary Dvorak. There were 39 members attending.

Museum Guild Representative: Mel Holubar announced the choice of the new museum site. He said the site survey committee did a lot of hard work and they chose the "roundhouse" area if it is available from the city.

Program: Jessie Stastny introduced Gail Naughton, President and CEO of the NCSML. Her program was "Restoration of Woodrow Wilson Train Station in Prague".

Refreshments: A lovely array of food was presented by Barb Pulkrab and Betty Gallagher. Apple Pie squares, Cream Cheese frosted Bagels, Cashews, Chocolate covered Raisins, juice and coffee.

Officer Reports:

Recording Secretary: Carolyn Holubar read the minutes of the August meeting. Approved as read.

Corresponding Secretary: Shirley Alexander sent cards of condolence to the families of Joan Hemphill and Karla Zahradnik.

In their memory, \$50.00 was presented to the Endowment Fund.

Treasurer: Alicia Jackson reported that the financial report has a balance of \$8,311.86. One bill was presented for \$74.77 for a new coffee urn. Motion to accept by Marilyn Tucker.

Volunteer Coordinator Report: Patricia Hikiji. Number of Guild members recording hours in August - 30. Number of Guild hours recorded - 433.5.

Volunteer Needs

We can still use more volunteers at the Museum's exhibit, "Treasures from the National Collection," at the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art.

I have a CRMA Docent Guidelines sheet, on my desk, for each volunteer working at the Museum of Art. Please pick one up and look it over before reporting for your shift at the CRMA. There will be a Sign-In/Sign-Out sheet at the Visitor Services Desk for you to fill out each time you work. That is where you report and where you would stow your personal belongings. I would like you to record your hours spent at the Museum of Art on your time sheet, in the Red Notebook, just like you record your Lindale hours. Code the hours, MA, for Museum of Art.

BrewNost! I will contact volunteers for help at BrewNost as soon as the needs and schedules are established by the BrewNost Committee. Job assignments will be specific as to duty and number of volunteers needed for each

job/position.

Czech & Slovak Vocabulary: Bob Stone.

How to say no in Czech and Slovak.

English:	I am not	We are not
	You are not	You are not
	He is not	They are not
Czech:	Nejsem	Nejsme
	Nejsi	Nejste
	Neni(je)	Nejsou
Slovak:	Nie som	Nie sme
	Nie si	Nie ste
	Nie je	Nie su

Marie Webster said there were three types of cookies in each pkg. and were sold at "Christmas in Aug, they brought in \$67.50.

Lu Volsch gave us an up-date on Babi's Kitchen to be held on Sept. 26, 2009 from 10-12 AM at St. Ludmila's Church.

Do any of our members have "antique" cooking gadgets that could be shown to the ladies while the strudel is being baked? It would be fun to have them guess what they were used for so many years ago. Each item will be tagged and returned to the owner after the exhibition. All 'helpers' will be called closer to the date as a reminder

Social: Hostesses for the Oct. 3rd meeting will be Vicky Mussman, Marie Webster and Fern Fackler.

Garden: Cindy Monroe. Dirt was dug out behind the Kosek Building for an elevator. This dirt was then moved to the A Street project, it now has to be leveled off. Gail said the work on the Kosek Bldg. is going well, the plumbing is in, duct work is in and the wiring is in progress.

Program: Jessie Stastny said Donna Merkle and her "Svetluský Group/Dance, vocal, and Instrumentalists" will perform for us at the Oct. 3rd Guild meeting. Also, a Genealogy specialist from Prague will be coming to Cedar Rapids October 19-22nd, if anyone is interested in talking with him.

Lu Volsch passed out some papers for the members to give suggestions to make our December Cookie Walk better if possible.

New Business: 1. An inventory of cookbooks will be made the last day of every month. 2. Every check for any Guild business is to be given to the Treasurer within 3 days. 3. Bylaws will be the business of the October meeting, chaired by Bob Stone.

Attendance Lottery: Nested dolls, donated by Marj Nejdil, won by Lu Volsch. 2 bags of Cookies, donated by Marie Webster, won by Irene Hamous and Andrea Siebenmann.

Respectfully Submitted
Carolyn Holubar

NCSML MUSEUM GUILD - TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts and Disbursements													Annual
													Total
2009	Jan.	Feb.	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	To Date
Beginning Balance	4,458.25	4,757.68	6,167.99	6,646.50	7,542.13	10,058.73	9,249.28	7,235.11					4,458.25
Receipts													
Dues	250.00	220.00	240.00	40.00			10.00						760.00
Cookbooks	125.00	200.00	425.00		325.00	75.00		220.00					1,370.00
Cookbooks (shipping)	20.00					8.00		8.00					36.00
Cookbooks-NCSML (40)		447.20					894.40	894.40					2,236.00
Cookbook Award		500.00											500.00
Donations		40.25		25.00									65.25
Aprons					40.00								40.00
Taste of Czech/Slovak					2,468.00								2,468.00
Taste C/S Donations/Sponsors			500.00	925.00	29.00	50.00							1,504.00
Cookie Walk			41.00	10.00				67.50					118.50
Cookie Walk Donations													0.00
Return of cash for change					300.00								300.00
Interest	3.02	2.86	4.10	4.49	5.60	6.14	6.43	2.85					35.49
Total Receipts	398.02	1,410.31	1,210.10	1,004.49	3,167.60	139.14	910.83	1,192.75					9,433.24
Disbursements													
Newsletter (printing)			176.00					66.00					242.00
Newsletter (postage)				41.40	126.00								167.40
Meeting Supplies				2.96									2.96
Memory Book													
Cookbooks (shipping)	48.59		10.59										59.18
Houby Days (float)						26.10							26.10
Taste of C/S Expenses					150.00	305.29							455.29
Cookie Walk Supplies				26.96									26.96
Programs			25.00										25.00
Dues Refunds			20.00										20.00
Receptions				37.54									37.54
NCSML			500.00				3,000.00						3,500.00
NCSML-Bazaar	50.00												50.00
NCSML-Endowment						150.00		50.00					200.00
Equipment						467.20							467.20
Cash for change					300.00								300.00
Rental Deposit					75.00		(75.00)						0.00
Total Disbursements	98.59	0.00	731.59	108.86	651.00	948.59	2,925.00	116.00					5,579.63
Ending Balance	4,757.68	6,167.99	6,646.50	7,542.13	10,058.73	9,249.28	7,235.11	8,311.86					8,311.86
Appropriated						5,000.00	5,500.00	5,500.00					
Unappropriated						4,249.28	1,735.11	2,811.86					
						9,249.28	7,235.11	8,311.86					



TOP TEN GUILD VOLUNTEERS

JUNE 2009

Number of Guild members recording hours in June — 33

Number of Guild Hours recorded — 377.50

Betty Gallagher	29.00
Lu Volsch	29.00
Ann Kloubec	27.25
Donna Merkle	27.00
Ed Volsch	25.00
Carolyn Holubar	18.50
Helane Golden	17.50
Laverne Fisher	14.00
Mel Holubar	14.00
Karen Hospodarsky	14.00
Lillian Kopecky	14.00
Pat Martin	14.00
Betty Suchan	14.00
Dorothy Voelkers	12.50
Barb Pulkrab	9.00
Marie Webster	9.00
Bob Stone	8.75

JULY 2009

Number of Guild members recording hours in July — 39

Number of Guild Hours recorded — 446.5

Marilyn Tucker	40.00
Pat Martin	35.00
Ann Kloubec	32.00
Marj NejdI	31.00
Donna Merkle	26.50
Helane Golden	24.00
Betty Gallagher	22.50
Betty Suchan	22.50
Dolores Blood	15.50
Laverne Fisher	15.50
Dorothy Voelkers	14.50
Helen Sorensen	14.00

AUGUST 2009

Number of Guild members recording hours in August — 30

Number of Guild Hours recorded — 433.5

Donna Merkle	51.50
Ann Kloubec	45.50
Betty Gallagher	30.00
Shirley Alexander	27.50
Pat Martin	23.00
Carolyn Holubar	22.00
Helane Golden	20.00
Marj NejdI	20.00
Karen Hospodarsky	17.50
Lillian Kopecky	17.50
Mel Holubar	17.00
Laverne Fisher	14.00

SEPTEMBER 2009

Number of Guild members recording hours in September — 39

Number of Guild Hours recorded — 410.75

Donna Merkle	58.00
Pat Martin	28.00
Ann Kloubec	27.25
Betty Gallagher	26.00
Carolyn Holubar	21.50
Laverne Fisher	17.50
Karen Hospodarsky	17.50
Shirley Alexander	15.00
Lu Volsch	15.00
Dolores Blood	14.00
Lydia Elias	14.00
Betty Suchan	14.00
Marj NejdI	13.50
Lillian Kopecky	11.50

THANK YOU FROM VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR PATRICIA A. HIKIJI

Thank you to the ladies who helped at the Hog Roast on June 13th.

Thank you to the Guild members who hosted at the Opening Reception for the Museum exhibit at the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art on June 19th.

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Patricia A. Hikiji
Volunteer Coordinator

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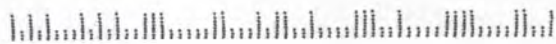
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Marilyn Shima Tucker
Editor



"COOKIE WALK"
10:00 A.M.- NOON
Saturday
December 12, 2009

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11th Annual Cookie Walk

Saturday, December 12



10 a.m. - noon
or until they're gone!



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