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Museum Guild of the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library ... Newsletter ... page 1 ... July-August, 1997

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Museum Guild Members:

I hope that you are all having a wonderful summer. The Museum Guild as an organization keeps providing us with exciting opportunities to be of assistance to the Museum and also provides us with the opportunity to gather as a group of friends who enjoy learning and sharing at our monthly meetings. We were pleased that Dan Baldwin, Executive Director of the Museum, joined us for our July meeting and gave a message of thanks to the Guild Members, as well as an update on the Museum.

One of the wonderful things that happened in my life this summer is that our daughter, and Guild Member, Cynthia Tucker Shaffer was able to join us for the July meeting. Cindy lives in Burke, Virginia, and serves on the Publications Committee. She was so pleased to meet those of you who were at the July meeting. She appreciated the opportunity to be able to put faces with the names she reads about in the Guilded Page.

Another wonderful moment for me during July was when my P.E.O. chapter visited the Museum and I saw Anne Reif serving as a gallery attendant. You may recall that Anne celebrated her 90th birthday this past March. Thank you, Anne, for all that you do for the Guild and the Museum — you set a fine example and are an inspiration for all of us!

There are so many people in the Guild that deserve special thanks. Does one start with the Board Members who, instead of going golfing or fishing these lovely summer evenings, come to a monthly Board Meeting? Or perhaps the responsible Committee Chairmen, such as Vera Conway who, along with Wanda Koutny, brought the History Book up to date . . . it is lovely and you can see it at every meeting. Thank you, Vera and Wanda. Or how about our Fund Raising Committee, chaired by Beula Dvorak, who designed and ordered the "A Thousand Years of Czech Culture" lapel pins and pens for us to sell? Or the Program Committee for arranging original and interesting programs? Thanks to John Rocarek and Patty Hikiji. Or the Publications Committee for the outstanding Guilded Page publication? Thank you to Terri Spahn and her committee. The list could go on and on, but most importantly, each one of you deserves a special thank you for all that you do.

It was a bright day for me when Marlene Schrimper told me about the Guild and invited me to attend my first meeting back in May 1994. Marlene, thank you for sharing the Guild with me. The Guild has opened doors to many new friendships and to knowledge about my heritage which I appreciate. As we look to the future of the Guild, tell a friend about the Guild and bring him/her to a meeting. By sharing it with friends, we ensure the future of our organization.

The Guild extends a special note of thanks to Suzanne Charipar, Gift Store Manager, for making arrangements so that we can have the rest of the 1997 meetings at the Museum.

I hope to see you at our August 11th meeting.

Sincerely,
Marilyn R. Tucker

P.S. Please make plans to attend the October 4th meeting which will be held at CSA/Czech Heritage Museum, OakBrook, Illinois.

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OUR FOUNDING FIVE

SYLVIA ROHLENA

This is the second in a series of articles profiling the Guild's five founders and original charter members, whose time and effort made the Museum Guild of the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library a reality, and to whom we owe a deep debt of gratitude.

A GENUINE ENTHUSIAST — upon meeting Sylvia Rohlena for the first time, this is how she impresses you. She is enthusiastic about her heritage and the Czech culture, and her warmth is all-encompassing. She displays an exuberance for living and learning, for people and for giving — for everything she puts her hand to — and for these reasons she is an authentic “treasure” of the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library, and the Guild which she helped to establish.

A Rich Lineage

Sylvia's family history is a rich and fascinating one, her ancestry in this country dating back to the 1850's. Her mother's grandparents, Albert and Marie Kucera Maly (originally Mallie), arrived in New York from Pilzen, Czechoslovakia on Christmas Eve day

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in 1854. They ultimately settled on a farm near Solon, Iowa. Her father's father, Alois Blaha, was born near Kutnahora, Czechoslovakia. His vocation was carpentry, and Alois distinguished himself by helping to found the ZCBJ¹ in 1897 and serving as its Charter Secretary. Husband Robert Rohlena's ancestors were among the original six Czech families to settle in Iowa's Johnson County. A stone mason, Emmanuel Rohlena and his family immigrated from Chocen, Czechoslovakia in 1851.

Sylvia Blaha Rohlena was born on January 4, 1936 at University Hospital in Iowa City. She was one of two daughters to grace the family of Louis and Bertha Cabalka Blaha. Growing up in Cedar Rapids, Sylvia and sister, Evelyn, were raised in a loving environment of strict discipline, hard work and quality learning experiences. Her father owned a business, Linwood Grocery, where both parents worked daily, and the Blaha sisters learned responsibility early on as they helped out in their free time, dusting and stocking shelves. Sylvia has a wealth of fond memories of her



Sylvia Rohlena, a founding member of the Guild, and the Charter President

childhood years, including family trips to Chicago and St. Louis, where she attended concerts and museums. Thus, an abiding appreciation and love of the arts and music was initiated at an early age.

“Music was the main emphasis of my young life,” Sylvia recalls. Her family regularly attended symphony concerts, and music contests and recitals became an annual affair as both girls discovered their enjoyment of music. While attending Lincoln Elementary School, Sylvia began studying the violin at age six, progressing to the cello by the time she was nine. She was deeply committed to her music at a young age, riding the trolley to Iowa City for private instruction at the University. By the time she was attending Wilson High School, she had achieved a level of accomplishment that enabled her to join the Cedar Rapids Symphony. She was excelling in music, as evidenced by her election to both Iowa's All State Orchestra (cello) and All State Band (oboe). She continued to perform with the Cedar Rapids Symphony for thirteen years, and today still regards listening to classical music as one of the great pleasures of her life.

Babi and Her Gifts

A profoundly integral component of Sylvia's childhood was her relationship with her “Babi” (grandmother). Babi lived with the Blaha family and spoke Czech with Sylvia's parents, something most children today don't have the opportunity to experience. While her parents worked long hours in the store, her Babi cooked and cared for the family — she loved to make all of the favorite Czech delicacies. Babi was instrumental in passing on to the girls the art of Czech cooking as well as a love of gardening. Sylvia watched her make noodles and kolaches every Saturday, and learned from her as she tended the family's large garden. Through their Babi's influence, the girls were instilled with good

¹ The ZCBJ, the forerunner of Western Fraternal Life Assurance, was originally a Czech group whose mission was to organize for social and insurance purposes.



eating habits, as well as a love of discipline, family values . . . and their heritage.

Upon graduation from high school in 1954, Sylvia worked for a time as a bookkeeper at Merchant's National Bank in Cedar Rapids. In 1956 she made the decision to enroll at Coe College in order to pursue a course of study in elementary education. Years later, after her family was primarily raised, she utilized her education by accepting a position as a kindergarten paraprofessional for the College Community School System where, from 1980 to 1987, she enjoyed working with many children.

A City Girl Goes Country

Sylvia likes to refer to the early years of raising her family as a case of "a city girl goes country." Having married Robert Charles Rohlena in December of 1967, the couple purchased and restored a farm house and began cultivating their land. Lacking any prior experience of the lifestyle, Sylvia laughingly recalls that, in those days, she wasn't exactly sure of the difference between straw and hay. One of her first volunteer efforts naturally facilitated her education in the ways of farming. As a 4-H leader for fourteen years, she learned right along with the children all about sheep, pigs and horses — and discovered that *hay* was the one with the luscious scent! Many rich memories remain of their farming years, during which Sylvia passed to her children the same values and knowledge that her parents had given her.

Sylvia and Robert Rohlena have successfully raised six children together — three boys and three girls. Today they are all thriving young adults with richly diverse vocations, focused lives and good family values. The Rohlenas are blessed with four beautiful grandchildren, one of whom proudly carries the family name (Katherine Mallie Crane).

These days Sylvia works for the ISU Linn County Extension Service, where she functions as a Nutrition Youth Instructor, a position that naturally evolved from her life experiences of farming and raising a large family. The wisdom gained from years of pursuing a healthy lifestyle on a daily basis for herself and her family is now passed on to other young people. She relishes her work, and a multitude of other activities that make for a very active and full life. Among her favorite diversions are traveling, boating and fishing on Lake Michigan, and participating in sports such as field hockey, soccer and running. She still loves to bake all of her family's favorite things — Easter lamb cake, rye bread, kolaches and, of course, apple strudel — when time permits.

Making the Time to Give

Despite raising a large family as well as working outside of the home for many years, Sylvia has always found the time to express her dedication to volunteerism in diverse ways. Over the years she has been actively involved in numerous organizations on many levels. Her work with the Czech Heritage Foundation, the Soroptimists, PEO and American Business Women's

Association illustrates her lifelong desire to have a positive impact on her community. As a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Cedar Rapids, she has worked as a Sunday School teacher and served as a deacon on the Christian Education Board. She has worked extensively with the ISU exchange program along with her husband, who volunteers his time as an interpreter for this worthwhile program.

Cultural exchange is an important facet of Sylvia's appreciation of the diversity of the world in which we live, and she has been instrumental in facilitating this exchange in two ways. Having twice visited the Czech Republic and Slovakia, she has been fortunate to experience her heritage first-hand. "There is so much culture and history," she says of her encounters. "And the people

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are open, sincere and friendly." She has made it one of her missions to return that friendship and sincerity to the people of these countries when they visit the United States. She has been involved in organizing host families for Czech and Slovak visitors for over ten years, and she greatly enjoys introducing these visitors to Iowa. She relates her favorite story of an ISU Slovak guest, Pavel Rattaj, who, upon touring the Museum, came upon his grandfather's picture hanging there. It was gratifying to watch as surprise, quickly followed by intense excitement, registered on his face as he gazed up at his ancestor.

Carrying On A Mother's Dream

Sylvia warmly reminisces about the bits and pieces of Czech culture that were woven throughout the tapestry of her childhood: Heirloom garments from the old country. A beautifully illustrated volume on herbs, written in old Czech script. Needlework passed from generation to generation. Recipes brought from the old country. And most importantly — *an idea*.


Sylvia's mother had a close friend, Melvina Svec, and she remembers that they often spoke of building a library of books to maintain the Czech culture and heritage in the community. "This idea stayed in my heart," she relates. After many years of family responsibilities, her desire to be a part of this and to carry on their dreams coincided with the realization that many friends and family members also felt a need for the preservation of their culture. Through countless conversations over several years, Sylvia came to comprehend the importance of the idea of "cultural guardianship" to many in the community. Thus, her vision of a Guild that would enhance the awareness of Czech culture in the community through volunteerism was born.

After expressing her thoughts and ideas to several Museum Board members, the steering committee that determined the purpose of the Guild and set the qualifications for membership

was established, with Sylvia at the helm as chairperson. With the formation of the new Guild, she was awarded the prestigious honor of the Charter Presidency. Her perseverance has paid off in enormous dividends for all involved in the organization. "If you're excited about an idea, then it will be completed," she says of her positive approach to establishing the Guild, and life in general.

Enrichment and Fulfillment

The beauty of the Guild is two-fold. It is a perfect example of the true meaning of giving and volunteerism at its best. Its main mission of supporting the Museum enriches cultural awareness, but what it has brought to the membership itself may have been an unexpected bonus. Sylvia finds that considerable enrichment is derived from being a part of the Museum with its vast array of artifacts to learn about, as well as its depth of history, both past and that in the making. But on a personal level, she feels that the beautiful and talented people she has become acquainted with have made for a wondrous new experience. Her deepest enjoyment stems from the people, and the anticipation of learning more about her culture through speakers and artifacts showcased at the monthly Guild meetings. For Sylvia, the Guild fulfills many things: her love of people and her appreciation of beauty in the arts, as well as her life's goal of acquiring knowledge daily — *and never losing the need.*

The scope of Sylvia's vision for the Guild has always extended well beyond her efforts as a driving force in its establishment. She has high hopes for the Guild's future, and envisions growth in membership numbers, as well as a group that will ultimately have integral involvement with all phases of the Museum. Her desire for a close-knit group of people dedicated to the support of the Museum who enjoy the experience of giving — as well as receiving intense personal satisfaction in return — is well on its way to fulfillment. "I strongly feel that the Guild is a solid group because of the commitment of many enthusiastic, responsible people who saw the potential rewards immediately once our mission was determined," she says, with deep pride. "We will continue to grow because of the diverse talents that we have in our organization." 

— Cynthia Tucker Shaffer

August 1997

SYLVIA ROHLENA'S BLUE-RIBBON SPONGE CAKE



- 1 1/4 cups cake flour
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 3/4 cup (6 eggs) whites
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon cream of tartar
- 1/2 cup egg yolks
- 1/4 cup cold water
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Stir together in a bowl the flour, 1 cup sugar and the baking powder. In another bowl beat the egg whites until frothy. Add the salt and cream of tartar and beat 1 minute. Add 1/2 cup sugar and beat 1 more minute or until stiff. To sifted ingredients add the egg yolks, water and vanilla and beat until well blended, about 4 minutes. Fold into whites and pour into an ungreased tube pan. Bake at 350° 40 minutes. Remove cake from oven and invert.

Sylvia has been making this recipe she learned from her Babu since she was thirteen. This scrumptious cake won a blue ribbon at the All-Iowa Fair in 1972.

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 Hermina 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

National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library Guild Program Schedule for 1997-98

FEBRUARY 1

"Museum Treasures"

National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library volunteer guides offer insight into their favorite museum treasures, as guild members visit exhibit stations throughout the gallery.

MARCH 1

"O Goose Feathers"

Pauline Jasa demonstrates the art of feather baster "peroutky" making, and shares with guild members preparation techniques as well as describing the many uses for goose feathers.

APRIL 5

"With Loving Care"

Lenora Watson, Rose Kopecky and Olga Sedenka share hand work treasures from their personal collections. The exquisite pieces displayed include a decorative hand embroidered apron, lace collar with intricate gold crochet, and a padded satin cutwork table cloth.

MAY 3

"Czech Heritage Foundation Prince & Princess"

Holly Upah and James Horak, 1995 representatives, relate their royal adventures, including participation in the dedication of Masaryk Park and the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library.

JUNE 9

"Museum Gift Store"

Ann Kloubec offers a tour of the NC&SM&L Gift Shop. New merchandise related to the "1000 Years of Czech Culture" exhibit is featured.

JULY 14

"Mr. & Mrs. Nejdil Go To Washington"

Marj and Ed share experiences from their trip to Washington D.C. as well as highlights from past adventures preserving our cherished Czech heritage.

AUGUST 11

"Library Update"

Learn of the great progress being made to organize, catalog, and make available resource materials in the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library archive and library section.

SEPTEMBER 6

"Unique Czech Cemetery Markers"

Loren Horton, recently retired Historian for the State of Iowa shares fascinating information "and slides" of truly historical markers.

OCTOBER 4

"CSA/Czech Heritage Museum, Oak Brook, Illinois" Spend a great day in Chicagoland. First, a visit to the Czech Heritage Museum, followed by a delicious traditional Czech meal at Klaus's Czech Restaurant.

NOVEMBER 1

"Leaving Home"

A panel discussion featuring reflections on leaving "the old country" to forge a new life in the United States.

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.

JANUARY 3

"Divadlo - Czech Theater in Cedar Rapids"

Panel discussion with veterans from the stage and backstage. Shared reminiscences from the days when CSPA and ZCBA Halls entertained thousands.

FEBRUARY 7

"Sokol Movement in Cedar Rapids"

Learn about "A Strong Mind in a Healthy Body." from members of Sokol Cedar Rapids. Remember the days of "Sokol Summer Camp" and "Sibrinky."



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

**MILDRED CHADIMA
ANGELA SVOBODA
BARBARA SKOGMAN
MARGUERITTE HOSTAK**

CZECH PRINCE & PRINCESS

The Czech Heritage Foundation is seeking nominations for the Czech Prince and Princess. Please contact Sylvia Rohlena (848-4026) for an application form and nominate a worthy young man and young woman for this honor. Candidates must be between the ages of 14 - 16, be of Czech background and a resident of Cedar Rapids or the surrounding communities. The Prince and Princess will be crowned, and each awarded a savings bond and a Czech costume, compliments of the CzechHeritage Foundation.

FYI

The 10% discount off purchases of \$10.00 and over in the gift shop is for members of the Museum. *It does not apply if you are a member of the Guild only.*



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

From the Kitchen of
Marilyn Tucker

MOM's KOLACHES (BREAD MACHINE)

PUT IN BREAD MACHINE: ON (MANUAL)

- 1 T. YEAST
- 3 1/4 C. FLOUR
- 1 TEAS. SALT
- 3/8 C. SUGAR
- 1/3 C + 1 T. POWDERED MILK
- 1 EGG
- 1/2 C. SHORTENING
- 1 1/8 C. WARM WATER

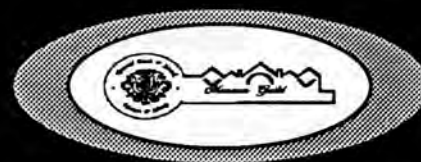
AFTER MIXED, PLACE IN GREASED, COVERED LARGE BOWL, AND LEAVE REFRIGERATED AT LEAST FOUR HOURS OR OVERNIGHT. PUT LOTS OF FLOUR ON BOARD, AND SHAPE INTO BALLS, WALNUT SIZE. SPACE 2" APART ON GREASED COOKIE SHEET. LET RAISE DOUBLE ... INDENT CENTER AND FILL. LET RAISE ABOUT 20 MIN. --- BAKE 375 10 min. USE POPPY SEED (SOLO) FILLING, OR CHERRY PIE FILLING TO WHICH YOU ADD SUGAR TO TASTE, AND ABOUT 1/4 TEAS. ALMOND FLAVORING. ...OR YOU CAN BAKE THESE AS BISCUITS. ...OR YOU CAN KEEP THIS DOUGH IN REFRIGERATOR AND BAKE A FEW AT A TIME.

Join the fun and take a trip with the Guild to **CSA/Czech Heritage Museum, Oak Brook, Illinois** October 4, 1997 Leaving Cedar Rapids 6:30 AM

Includes bus fare, lunch at Klaus Restaurant in Chicago, admission at Museum and a snack on the bus on the way back.

Cost \$39.00 per person. Please send check and reservation by **September 15th** to: John Rocarek

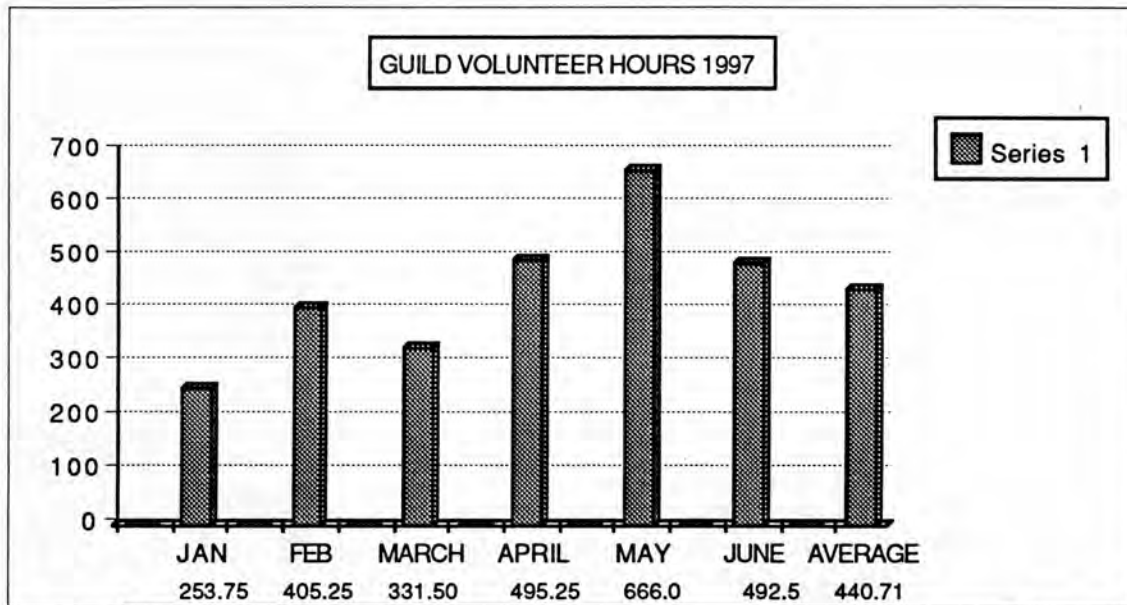
Note: This trip is open to non-Guild members. Feel free to invite your friends to join you. It will be a fun day!!!



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.

VOLUNTEERS

ARE NEEDED



Top Ten List of Museum Volunteers

APRIL 1997

Frank Edmunds	48.00
Marjorie Stone	47.50
Jo Ann Ferguson	32.50
Bob Stone	26.50
Anne Reif	25.00
Vera Conway	19.50
Iona Mittvalsky	17.50
Barbara Edmunds	17.00
Rose Kopecky	17.00
Zula Oujiri	16.25

MAY 1997

Frank Edmunds	80.00
Jo Ann Ferguson	42.50
Rose Kopecky	30.75
Barbara Edmunds	31.00
Lenora Watson	30.00
Barbara Pulkrab	27.00
Anne Rief	24.50
Mildred Chadima	23.50
Marjorie Pace	22.75
Irma Modracek	20.50
Marjorie NejdI	20.50

JUNE 1997

Frank Edmunds	29.00
Martha Divishek	25.25
Irma Rozek	22.00
Rose Kopecky	21.00
Sherlee Peterson	17.50
Marjorie Pace	16.50
Barbara Pulkrab	16.50
Patti Marolf	16.00
Marjorie NejdI	15.50
Lydia Elias	14.50



Volunteer hours pay additional dividends:

Did you know that recording your volunteer hours at the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library helps make an even stronger case for funding when applying for grants from corporations and foundations? By keeping track of this information and having it available, we are able to show support from individuals and other constituencies associated with the museum. A strong volunteer base represents quality and diversity in the organization. It provides not only a broad pool of talent to assist with programming and activities at the museum and library, but it helps in the pursuit of grant opportunities as well.

The process is simple. . . all it involves is logging in your hours on the sign up sheet located in the volunteer station each time you volunteer at the museum and library. It only takes a minute of your time, but can pay big dividends for the museum and library in the long run. If you are not currently a volunteer and wish to find out more about the exciting opportunities available, please call the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library at 362-8500.

Thank you ... Judy Ostrander, Director of Development ... National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library

In Memory

In memory of Leona Mae Netolicky Kaplan. Leona was a Charter Member and contributed to the success of the Guild. We offer our condolences to her family, and in particular to her daughters Fern Fackler and Sherlee Peterson who are members of the Guild. Leona will be remembered and missed.



Shueyville

Leona Mae Netolicky Kaplan, 91, died Friday, June 27, 1997, in the Hallmark Care Center, Mount Vernon, after a long illness. Services: 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Brosh Chapel. Burial: Sulek Cemetery near Shueyville. Friends may call from 3-7 p.m. Monday.

She is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Sherlee and Cliff Peterson of Mount Vernon and Fern and Warren Fackler of Cedar Rapids, eight grandchildren: Shelley Peterson Dies of Ft. Thomas, KY, Mary Peterson Berry of Herndon, VA, Scott Peterson of Mount Vernon, Victoria Peterson Ahrendorf of Ashfield, MA, Payson Peterson of Piedmont, SD, Julie Fackler Gillespie of Sherman Oaks, CA, Clark Fackler of Peoria, IL and Todd Fackler of Iowa City; four step grandchildren: James Dies of Indianapolis, IN, Michael Dies of Barrington, IL, Elizabeth Zink of Edgewood, KY and Mary Jo Harrington of Westminster CO, sixteen great grandchildren, and four sisters: Florence Dvorak and Maxine Hofer of Cedar Rapids, Alma Helmer of Iowa City and Kathryn Rehmel of Watkinsville, GA; a brother-in-law Ira Rehmel of Watkinsville, GA and a sister-in-law Esther Kaplan of Cedar Rapids.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, three brothers, William, Antone and Maxwell and one grandson Danny Peterson.

Leona was born June 10, 1906 near Ely, the daughter of Anton and Katherine Machovets Netolicky. She married Ernest Kaplan on June 10, 1930. She attended Hardshell School, Mount Vernon and Cedar Rapids Washington High Schools. She earned a normal training teaching certificate with post graduate work at Washington High School and attended the University of Iowa and Coe College as a non-traditional student.

She taught at Western and Buresh Schools before her marriage. She resumed her teaching career during World War II and taught at several schools in Johnson and Linn County. The last teaching position she held was in the College Community School system. She also taught Czech School and served the school as a board member.

She served as president of the Shueyville High School Band Parents and was the producer for the area WHO Home Talent Show. She was a member of the Ely Friendship Club, Ely Rebekah Lodge, Swisher Legion Auxiliary, Czech Heritage Foundation, Damska Matice, National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library, charter member of the Museum Guild, organizer and charter member of the College Circle Club. She served the Sulek Cemetery Association as Secretary-Treasurer and was president of WFLA Posledni Taborita Lodge for many years.

She was a daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, aunt, and teacher extraordinaire.

Memorials may be made to the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library.

MUSEUM PROGRAMS

August 15

Registration Deadline for

"Kava a Knihy" (Coffee & Books)

Reading-Lecture-Discussion Series to be held at the National
Czech & Slovak Museum & Library

Registrants will receive a list of the books selected, information on
acquiring the books, and a schedule of the discussion times.

Pre-registration required ... Registration Fee

August 16

Stories, Tales, Legends, and Lore (children's story-time)

10:00 a.m. ... Museum Library

Free to the public

August 20

"Learn at Lunch" - short program "Heirlooms for Tomorrow"

The art of painting on porcelain will be discussed and
demonstrated. Information will also be presented on the various
types of porcelain and the history of this art form.

JoAnne Neff ... 12:00 p.m. -1:00 p.m.

WFLA Heritage Hall

Free to the public

September 8

"Kava a Knihy" Reading-Lecture-Discussion Series

First Book Discussion

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. ... Museum Library

Pre-registration required

September 17

"Learn at Lunch" - short program

"Genealogical Research Via the Internet"

How to use technology in the search for your roots

Martha Wilding, Museum Librarian

12:00 p.m. -1:00 p.m. ... Museum Library

Free to the public

September 20

Stories, Tales, Legends, and Lore (children's story-time)

10:00 a.m. ... Museum Library

Free to the public

September 21

Classical Concert ... Leopold La Fosse, Soloist

Leopold La Fosse, Artist-Teacher of Violin

State University of Iowa

2:00 p.m. ... WFLA Heritage Hall

A musician of wide experiences in many performance areas, La Fosse who had
been concertmaster of five symphony orchestras and a Fulbright Professor in
Brazil, maintains an active schedule of appearances in the U.S., Europe, South
America, and Russia.


Addmission Fee

CZECH CALENDAR OF EVENTS . . .

August 1997

					1 7PM Czech Plus/guest artist	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 7:00 PM Czech Plus Band, Concert	9
10	11 6:30 PM Guild Meeting @ Museum	12 6:00 PM Heritage Picnic/ZCJB Park 6:30 PM Czech Heritage Meeting	13	14	15 7:00 PM Czech Plus Kava a Knihy Reading reg.	16 10:00 AM Story-time @ Museum
17	18	19 7:00 PM Guild Board Meeting Czech School Board Meeting	20 12:00 PM Learn @ Lunch/Museum	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 7:00 PM Czech Plus/Masaryk Park	30
31	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sun	1	2	3	4	5 7:00 PM Czech Plus & Heritage Singers	6 9:30 AM Guild Meeting/Museum
7	8 7:00 PM Kava a Knihy/Museum	9 Heritage Found. Meeting	10	11	12 7:00 PM Czech Plus/Final Guided Page Oct. deadline	13
14	15 OakBrook Trip Rsv. deadline	16 7:00 PM Guild Board Meeting Czech School Board Meet.	17 12:00 PM Learn @ Lunch/Museum	18	19	20 10:00 AM Story Time/Museum
21 2:00 PM Leopold LaFossee Concert	22	23 Czech Republic Tour leaves CR	24	25 7:00 PM Fed. of Czech Groups Meeting/St.W. Hall	26	27
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Terri L. Spahn, Editor

Address correction requested

