

THE GUILDED PAGE

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

12th Annual Cookie Walk

Snow and Cold Did Not Deter Cookie Walkers.....

'Customers' brave snow, wind, and cold and arrive by horse drawn wagon to this year's successful event

By Lu Volsch, Cookie Walk Chairperson

A highlight of the first Old Prague Christmas Market in Czech Village, the December 4 Cookie Walk added \$1985.70 to Guild's bank balance. More than 75 varieties of cookies and candies comprised the event. Some 370 dozen cookies/217 pounds of goodies were purchased. From Czech Garnets to bourbon balls, meringues to macaroons, fudge to toffee! Donors and volunteers numbered 75.

Outside was the snow, sound of sleigh bells, the laughter and excitement of the children on the wagon... Indoors, the smell of gingerbread, hot cocoa, cookies, and festivity of music provided the atmosphere for a nostalgic festive holiday gathering...

St. Wenceslaus Gym Building was the location this year, and it provided a fantastic spacious site for the Cookie Walk. The Gym was decorated with a tree, lights, tables decorations, and of course red tablecloths. The Guild officers prepared a warm and tasty light breakfast served for Guild volunteers before the 9:30 event opening. While volunteers were eating, patrons were waiting in the wings! The flux of patrons arrived between 9:30 and 10:45. And WHAT a selection of cookies arranged on the tables!!

At the start of the Cookie Walk, Svaty Mikuláš, along with the anděl and the čert, strolled strolled through the room. Donna Merkle provided music on her hammered dulcimer. She even let some budding musicians try the instrument. Heads were keeping rhythm, bodies were swaying, toes were tapping, and

voices joined in with the Czech Heritage Singers as they presented various holiday songs in Czech and English. There was even room for a Café with tables and chairs for patrons to enjoy coffee, cocoa, and cookies while listening to the music and enjoying the atmosphere. What a terrific success! Thanks to all!



Reindeer Shally Garin and Cyndi O'Brien join Annie Kloubec serving hot chocolate

2011 Guild Officers: From left: Pat Martin, Ex-Officio; Helene Golden Corres. Sec.;

Cyndi O'Brien, Vice-President; Carol Wohlleben, President; Suzie Long, Rec. Sec; Betty Sheets, Treasurer; Mel Holubar, NCSML Board Rep.





President's Message



2011 GUILD MEETING DATES

January 8, 2011	July 9, 2011*
February 5, 2011	August 6, 2011
March 12, 2011*	September 10, 2011
April 2, 2011	October 1, 2011
May 7, 2011	November 5, 2011
June 11, 2011	

December 10, 2011, Cookie Walk*

Asterisks indicate scheduling to accommodate meeting location availability/avoidance of legal holidays/programming. Cookie Walk date is subject to change.

Monthly membership meetings are at 9 a.m. on Saturdays.



Cookie Walk volunteers bake, promote, help patrons shop and enjoy festivities

The following generous NCSML friends supported the 2010 Cookie Walk by handing out flyers, making goodies, donating money, and/or helping on Dec. 3 & 4. THANK YOU!!

Anonymous, Shirley Alexander, Tricia Bender, Dolores Blood, Kecia Boyson, Kitty Chadima, Vera Conway, Evelyn Dvorak, Gary Dvorak, Barb Edmunds, Lydia Elias, Robert Ellis, Kate Fejfar, Laverne Fisher, Betty Gallagher, Shally Garin, Diana Geoffrey, Helane Golden, Hubert Hermanson, Ashley Holubar, Bonnie Holubar, Carolyn Holubar, Kylie Holubar, Mel Holubar, Karen Hosppodarsky, Alicia Jackson, Andrea Jilovec, Fran Johnson, Marjeanne Jungjohann, Pat Kent, Stefanie Kohn, Ann Kloubec, Irene Konecny, Emil Koval, Suzanne Long, Carol Malecek, Patty Marolf, Patricia Matrin, Donna Merkle, Guenter Merkle, Miller Taylor, Cindy Monroe, Vicky Mussman, Marj Nejd, Gail Naughton, Milelna Novosad, Cyndi O'Brien, Milly Ortner, Marjorie Pace, Barb Pulkrab, Don Pulkrab, Hermina Rigel, John Rocarek, Olga Sedenka, Betty Sheets, Karen Sindelar, Andrea Siebenmann, Susan Sokolsky, Helen Sorensen, Jessie Stastny, Leni Stastny, Carol Stoffer, Jan soffer, Marjorie Stone, Loreen Svoboda, Dorothy Voelkers, Jeanne Vogt, Ed Volsch, Lu Volsch, Marie Webster, Allyson Wheaton, Julie Wiedner, Leah Wilson, Carol Wohlleben, Eldon Wohlleben, Lavanda Woosley and Czech Heritage Royalty, Little Sister Abby Frerick.

Dear Museum Guild Members, Dobry den!

On behalf of the Executive Committee, please accept our best wishes for a joyous and bountiful New Year.

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your President this coming year. I look forward to working with all of you and using your many talents to continue promoting the forward progress of the NCSML. YOU are the Guild!

Our mission is to "support the mission of the museum". Using your abilities we will, and maintain and elevate the wonderful accomplishments of the past year. Thank you to ALL the incredible leaders and volunteers who have taken us even farther than all the past successes. They have challenged us to continue and I know we'll meet that challenge!

Our calendar is in place, our committees are working and our vision is bright!

Be involved!

Sincerely,

Carol Wohlleben, President

Main Street- Sponsored Mural Welcomes Visitors to Historic Czech Village



Painted in late-August, a mural on the corner of 16th and C. Ave. S.W., personalizes the Czech business community with vignettes of Village landmarks, local personalities, and cultural events. This art also preserves the urban mural tradition.

In photo, from left: Barb Edmunds worked on the mural painting; New Bohemia-Czech Village volunteer Jim Jacobmeyer organized the project; Leni Stastny was on painting crew; artist Marj Nejdil is featured on the mural! Those providing support services and in-kind contributions to the project also included, Bob Schaffer, Baron Von Stark, Al Zindrich, Deb Christensen, and Frank and Cal Spinka.

Invite friends and neighbors to visit the Village and NCSML in the historic Kosek Build and "czech it out."

Czech Ensemble Světlušky Performs for Guild, guests from Des Moines

Světlušky (pronounced *svyet-loosh-kee*) means "Fireflies," and this youth ensemble, as the name implies is indeed spritely and brilliant as they perform Czech, Moravian, and Slovak instrumental folk music, folk songs, and folk dances.

Under the direction of Donna and Guenter Merkle since 2007, the ensemble is now a non-profit (501(c) (3) corporation. Membership is by invitation only, age 8 through high school. Fireflies sing, dance, or play traditional instruments. Donna is willing to help young musicians develop their skills, even if they are not quite ready to perform.

Costumes are now patterned after a region in Bohemia, but eventually will also be Moravian and Slovak. Fireflies has a rigorous practice and performance schedule, but they are eager to display their cultural music and accept numerous invitations.



KOLACE featured at October Babi's Kitchen

...prune, cherry, apricot, poppyseed, even M & Ms in cream cheese!

Some 112 enthusiastic grandmothers, mothers and fathers, and children learned about a variety of fillings as part of the art of kolace baking from Carol Wohlleben in the kitchen and social hall of St. Ludmila Parish in mid-October.

Carol was the teacher and designated kolace expert, and Lu Volsch helped organize the presentation, publicity, and volunteers. Frank and Barb Edmunds, Lydia Elias, Helane Golden, Andrea Jilovec, Joe Kurka, Milly Ortner, Jessie Stastny, Marge Stone, Jeanne Vogt, Marie Webster, Eldon Wohlleben, and Catherine Hildago Wohlleben all contributed to the learning experience, from preparing dough and fillings to baking, to serving the treats to happy students!

Czech- Slovak foods and their preparation is important to preservation of the culture, and Babi's Kitchen makes it happen!





Dear NCSML Guild Members,

On behalf of the entire staff and BrewNost Steering Committee I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for the countless hours and efforts put into *BrewNost! 2010*. This year's event was the most successful ever and we couldn't have done it without the Guild.

From securing and donating Silent Auction and Old World Market items, to washing 700+ glasses, preparing over 800 delicious dessert bites, selling a *record* number of raffle tickets, and volunteering the night of, the impact NCSML Guild members have on *BrewNost* each year is invaluable.

Once again, thank you all for your ongoing commitment to the NCSML and all we do!

Kind regards,

Kecia Boysen
Annual Fund Manager

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## Pay your dues at the January 8<sup>th</sup> Guild meeting!

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Dorothy Voelkers shovels ground to plant the \$200 worth of bulbs donated by the Linn County Extension. The Garden Committee planted seven beds around the grounds of Czech Village.

Kecia Boysen...
sells chances for
Prague Getaway.
"Wanna go to
Prague?" was
t-shirt motto.



Mark Your Calendar

****Saturday, January 29--Family Folkways:
Decorating Eggs with Straw with Marj Nejd,
11:00AM-2:00PM**

****Saturday, February 19--Oral History with Rosie
Johnston, 1:00-3:00PM**

****Saturday, March 19--St. Joseph's Day
Family Folkways: Preserving our Family History
with Pat Martin**

****Saturday, March 26--Egg decorating classes
are in two sessions, 11:00AM and 2:00PM
LOOKING AHEAD....**

****Saturday, April 9--Cooking in Babi's Kitchen**

****Friday, May 13--Taste of Czech and Slovak**

Bulbs Donated to Beautify Czech Village

The Guild received \$200 worth of bulbs from the Linn County Extension. They are planted in seven beds by the Garden Committee.



Cindy Monroe holds up a bulb donated by the Linn County Extension.



**Jeanne Vogt and Marilyn Tucker
serve treats at September meeting**

Good Job!!



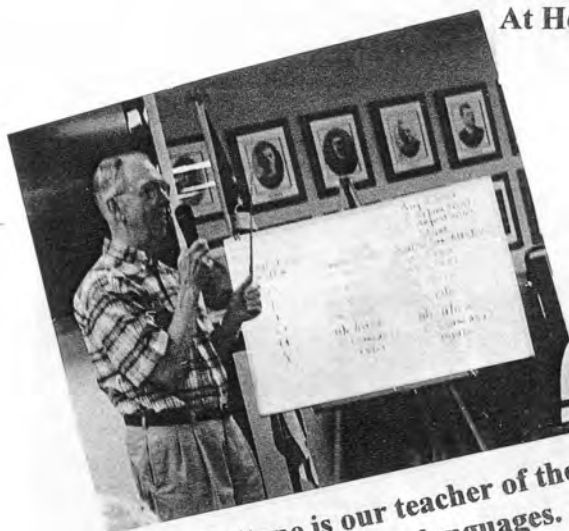
**Emil Koval and Carolyn and Mel
Holubar serve Halloween goodies**



**Nancy Schmuecker and Pat
Martin at Maria's Tea Room
At Heritage Tea**



**Sisters Diana Geoffrey and Suzie
Long are active members of Guild**



**Bob Stone is our teacher of the
Czech and Slovak languages.**



**Linda Armitage, Diane Olsen,
Barb Murray at Cookie Walk**



**Leo Modracek poses with
Andrea Siebenmann**



Minutes of the September NCSML Guild Meeting

The Museum Guild of the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library met at St. Wenceslaus Church, on September 11, 2010 at 9:00 AM.

Pat Martin called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Joe Kurka, Vice. Pres. There were 41 members attending.

Two new members joined, Diane Hayes and Jim Jacobmeyer, welcome!

Marj Nejdil reminds members that we will be seeking a new President, Rec. Sec., and Treasurer, and that process will begin after October membership meeting. Let her know if you have input.

Program: Shirley Alexander introduced Jim Jacobmeyer, he spoke on "Progress on 16th Avenue this Past Spring and Summer."

Volunteer Spotlight: Carol Wohlleben spoke on the new kitchen in the new museum, there will be cooking lessons, Czech traditions, a center working island, good commercial equipment, a dishwasher 'table height' and lots of catering.

Recording Secretary: Carolyn Holubar read the Minutes from the August meeting, there was one correction, the rest was approved as read.

Corresponding Secretary: A 'Get Well' card was sent to Lydia Elias. Thank you notes were sent to Nancy Schmueker and George Joens for the use of "Maria's Tea Room", and to Andrea Jilovec for helping with the event.

Treasurer: Alicia Jackson. Our balance is \$9,242.27. One bill was presented for printing of the Guilded Page, \$125.53. Motion to pay By Gary Dvorak, 2nd by Leni Stastny.

Museum Representative: Mel Holubar first spoke on gardening. He gave Cindy Monroe credit for organizing the clean up next to Babi's House. The first hot day, Cindy, Dorothy Voelkers, Emil Koval and Mel worked. The 2nd hot day, Cindy, Leni Stastny, Emil Koval and Mel worked. On the next "clean-up", Frank Edmonds wants to help with the weed disposal.

Mel attended the Board Meeting on Aug. 24, 2010. FEMA negotiations should be completed this month.

On Sept. 16, the Board Members will be given names/businesses to contact as donors for the museum. The areas in the new museum to be negotiated are the kitchen, ceiling loading and acoustics. The Museum Store sales for August were over \$10,000 and \$2,000 for the Exhibits.

Gail has made many presentations in the past and a group called Council of Higher Learning in Chicago contacted her and is interested in joining us in some matter as they are impressed with our goal and their purpose is giving out Scholarships. She made a trip into Chicago to discuss some possible partnerships.

The goal for moving dirt for the new museum is October 1st. Plans are for an upcoming Czech & Slovak History

and Culture Conference in March, 2011. These have been every other year and the last one was in 2008. The flood prevented it last year.

Update on Museum/Volunteer information: Andrea Jilovec spoke on her Family Folkways Programs. This is a series of art & craft demonstrations, free, to be held in the Museum Store or inside the Gallery.

Sept. 18, 10-1 PM, Making of feather pastry basters with Marge Stone.

Oct. 21, 11-2PM, Bobbin lace-making by the Doris Southard Lace Guild.

Nov. 13, 11-2PM, wheat weaving with Viola Zahradnik.

Jan. 22, 2011, 11-2PM, Straw-Decorated Eggs in the Czech Tradition with Marj Nejdil.

March 12, 2011, 10-12PM, Preserving Our Family Story, Creatively Preserving & Presenting Your Family History with Pat Martin.

Babi's Kitchen on Oct. 23, demonstrating 'kolace' at St. Ludmila Church.

Remember Tomáš Kubínek, Oct. 28, 2010, call for information.

December 3rd evening and 4th, all day: Hosting a market of juried vendors for Christmas items, "Old Prague Christmas Market" and Cookie Walk. (Sv. Mikuláš/Czech Village.)

Pat Martin handed out sheets on BrewNost for areas to be filled in if you can help.

Fundraising: Lu Volsch mentioned all who helped make the Family Heritage Tea Party a huge success. Miss Czech/Slovak of Iowa was in attendance. \$125.00 was taken in. The October meeting will be held in St. Wenc. Gym at 9:00 AM. Refreshments first, then the program. A tour group from Des Moines will be in attendance. She thanked all those who filled in the Hostess sheet up through March of 2011.

Dorothy Voelkers said the trip to Spillville, Iowa was a very enjoyable day, Lavanda Woosley gave information about all the little towns they rode thru on the bus. Dorothy said the organ recital, the piano music in the 150 year old St. Wenceslaus Church, the 2 hour parade and a tour of the Bily Clocks made a wonderful day.

Attendance Lottery: A vase of fall flowers was donated by Marilyn Tucker, and won by Dorothy Voelkers.

Two large bags of popcorn were donated by Barb Pulkrab, and won by Cyndi O'Brien and Jan Smolik.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Holubar

Refreshments: A lovely array of decorated cookies, fresh fruit pics, cream cake, cups of nuts, muffins and drinks were provided by Marilyn Tucker, Dolores Usher and Jeanne Vogt.

Hostesses for October 2nd are Mel and Carolyn Holubar and Emil Koval.



JUNE

18 volunteers

Total Volunteer Hours: 293.75

Top Ten

Carolyn Holubar	72
Jackie Allen	31.5
Pat Martin	24.5
Philip Workman	24.5
Mary Ellen Krotz	17
Marilyn Sokolsky	16
Bonnie Holubar	18
Mel Holubar	14.5
Mary Dvorak	12
Bob Stone	11.25

JULY

21 volunteers

Total Volunteer Hours: 268.5

Top Ten:

31.0	Carolyn Holubar
30.0	Helane Golden
28.5	Philip Workman
28.0	Jackie Allen
25.0	Mel Holubar
20.0	no name
17.0	Mary Ellen Krotz
16.0	Bonnie Holubar
14.5	no name
12.0	Mary Dvorak

AUGUST

20 volunteers

Total Volunteer Hours: 330.75

Top Ten

Marilyn Sokolsky	58.0
Carolyn Holubar	37.5
Jackie Allen	31.0
Ken Erger	30.0
Pat Martin	25.0
Mel Holubar	19.0
Lavern Fisher	19.0
Cindy Monroe	19.0
Donna Merkle	16.25
Helane Golden	12.0

From Our Director of Education, Programs, and Volunteer Services

All Are Welcome to Volunteer!

Andrea Jilovec



No matter if Czech or Slovak ancestry has escaped you, you are cordially invited, and will be welcomed into the NCSML fold of capable, fun and intelligent volunteers! There is so much volunteers can do here to keep our museum strong, vital and vibrant, and everyone can surely connect with a task or two that suits your schedule and your gifts. From offering gallery tours, to overseeing activities with youth, to answering our telephone or working in the store, and supporting all the excellent Guild activities, we will be delighted to receive an hour or two of your time. Those of you who already share your time and gifts, THANK YOU! I ask that you please share with others your reasons for volunteering, while encouraging others to do so. I realize how busy we all are these days and I don't wish to complicate anyone's already busy day, BUT, if you find yourself thinking about getting even more involved, OR, if you know of someone who is thinking about getting out and about for a few hours per month, please mention that the NCSML is looking for a few good people, and have them call me!

I would like to "shout-out" a special thank you to our Guild leader and President this past year, Pat Martin. She has been a beacon of enthusiasm for the Guild and the entire NCSML. I'm glad to know that you aren't retiring to Florida Pat, because we will continue to seek out your knowledge and volunteer gifts! Thank you, thank you, thank you for a job well done - and "it ain't over yet, friend..."

And, thank you to all you wonderful Guild members and volunteers. Each and every one of you is a gift to this museum. Let us all welcome and support our new Guild President Carol Wohlleben, and support her and all the Guild activities throughout the Happy New Year of 2011!

Warm regards,
Andrea

SEPTEMBER

24 volunteers

Total Volunteer Hours: 342.45

TOP TEN VOLUNTEERS

Marj Nejd	55
Carolyn Holubar	43
Pat Martin	29
Jackie Allen	27.5
Marilyn Sokolsky	22
Carol Wohlleben	20
Mary Krotz	15.5
Mel Holubar	15
Lavanda Woosley	15
Donna Merkle	13.25

OCTOBER

21 volunteers

Total Volunteer Hours: 365

The Top Ten:

1.	Carolyn Holubar	52.5
2.	Carol Wohlleben	47
3.	Marj Nejd	35.5
4.	Marie Webster	29
5.	Jackie Allen	28.5
6.	Pat Martin	25.5
7.	Ken Erger	20
8.	Irene Konecny	18
9.	Bob Stone	12.25
10.	Mary Ellen Krotz	11.5



Minutes of the October NCSML Guild Meeting

The Museum of the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library met at St. Wenceslaus Gym, on October 1, 2010 at 9:00 AM.

Joe Kurka, President Pro TEM: called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Joe Kurka.

There were 37 members attending.

Program: Shirley Alexander introduced Gail Naughton; she gave us a lot of insight of plans, in the future, of the Czech and Slovak Museum.

She said we are an important investment in Cedar Rapids. A permanent exhibit is being planned, and the design of the new building has been finalized. The "drawings" are here and are available for everyone to view. Andrea will have a "classroom" for her activities. Dave Muhlena will have a large area for the library, for resources that will increase assistance with genealogy. She called on Carol Wohlleben to give an update on the proposed kitchen. The Kosek Building will retain the lower level for use by the museum, but the upper floor may be rented out, this is all up in the air at the present time.

Volunteer Spotlight: Joe Kurka gave a very short synopsis of his wood-working projects.

Recording Secretary: Carolyn Holubar read the Minutes from the September meeting, it was approved as read.

Corresponding Secretary: Helene Golden read a thank-you note from Carey Gibson, Past Board Chair of the NCSML, thanking us for the Guilded Page publication. "Thinking of you" notes were sent to Betty Suchan, Marie Cada, Bonnie Stepanek and Dolores Usher.

Treasurer Report: Alicia Jackson said we have \$9,176.74 in the bank. No bills were presented.

Museum Representative: Mel Holubar, due to a conflict, missed his first ever, Board Meeting on Sept. 28th. "On Sept. 16, I met at 7:30 AM for the kickoff start of NCSML fund raising locally with Board members in the Classroom at Kosek Building. Packets were made up and I took three of Cedar Rapids Businesses that I will need to contact as to becoming a donor for our new Museum".

Update on Museum/Volunteer information: Andrea Jilovec said they need more volunteers to help assisting the caterers at BrewNost.

Oct. 16, Robert Wachal will read from his book, *Czechs Forever*, 2-4 PM in the NCSML Classroom.

Oct. 16, Czech Fest - a Czech Village Assoc./Mainstreet.

Oct. 28, A Back Stage Conversation with Tomáš Kubínek At 7 PM.

Oct. 30, Peter Vodenka will read from his book, *Journey For Freedom*, at NCSML from 1-3 PM.

Nov. 13, 11AM-2PM, Weaving Straw into Gold - Wheat Weaving with Viola Zahradnik.

Andrea said that all of the items that have been donated to the "Old World Market", for Brew Nost, have been beautiful, and well made.

The demonstration of the Feather Basters, by Marge Stone was a huge success. Andrea counted 69 people there watching her make them.

Committee Business: Joe Kurka; Today we elect a Nominating Committee: As executive board, we recommend three members to Nominating: MARJ NEJDL, MEL HOLUBAR, and DONNA MERKLE. We welcome nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. Milly Ortner stated that nominations cease and the slate of Nominating Committee selected be accepted, 2nd by Marge Stone.

Fundraising: Lu Volsch has a list for various functions:
1. Brew Nost, 2-3 more volunteers to wash glasses at Westminster Pres. Church on 3rd Ave SE, on Oct. 11, from 9-1:30.

Need 3 volunteers to help package, on Oct. 15th, 11-1PM in auditorium.

Brew Nost, need 4 volunteers to bake brownies, garnets, pumpkin bars, and snowballs.

2. Cooking in Babi's Kitchen. Need 3-4 more volunteers, Oct. 23, 8:30-12:30. Demonstration will be 10-12.

3. Sign up for Cookie Walk, to make and help, will have fliers for next month.

4. Cookies for Receptions. Anyone willing to make cookies for receptions for this month; Oct. 28th at 7 PM; Oct. 30th at 1 PM. Need 13-14 dozen cookies (5 people), also helpers to serve coffee, 3-4 people.

Program of Entertainment ... Svetluský, and Welcome Guests. We were treated to a wonderful selection of dance and singing, Donna and Guenter Merkle should be commended for the outstanding creativity shown by these children!

Coming Up!! Brew Nost, Oct. 15th at CRMA.

Czech Village Fall Fest Oct. 16th.

Babi's Kitchen Oct. 23rd, 10-noon.

Cookie Walk, Dec. 4th, with Old Prague Christmas Market Dec. 3rd and 4th.

Announcements: Guilded Page: Dec. 1 deadline for all but Cookie Walk. Next publication 10 days prior to January membership meeting.

Meeting Attendance Lottery: Decorated napkin holder and napkins donated by Marj NejdI was won by Dorothy Voelkers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Holubar
Carolyn Holubar

Czech & Slovak Vocabulary: Bob Stone

English: Good night!

Czech: Dobrou noc!

Slovak: Dobru noc!

Refreshments: A Halloween theme was presented by Carolyn and Mel Holubar, and Emil Koval, consisting of frosted pumpkin bars, candy, nuts, coffee and juices.

Oral Historian Captures, Preserves Czech-Slovak Voices for NCSML



Rosie Johnston, oral historian from the NCSML, gave a very interesting presentation on a project sponsored by the museum to capture and preserve the Czech and Slovak history and culture from 1948 through 1968 and beyond. At its November meeting, Guild members observed interviews and videotapes of individuals who had escaped or left Czechoslovakia when the communists seized power and how it impacted their families and themselves.

The project particularly focuses on Czechs and Slovaks in Chicago, Cleveland, and Washington, D.C. The video clips and much more on the subject can be viewed on HYPERLINK "<http://www.ncsml.org>" www.ncsml.org, Click on oral histories.

Guild Continues to Grow, Welcomes New Members

Garin, Shally L

Hayes, Diane

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Jacobmeyer, Jim

Johnston, Rosie

Sindelar, Karen

Carolyn Holubar... circulates with dessert bites, to enjoyment of BrewNost patrons. Some 800 "bites," baked and served by Guild members, are always a hit at the fundraiser!



Family Folkways Series Features Peroutky

Guild member Marge Stone demonstrated peroutky making as part of the Family Folkways Series presented by NCSML. Here Marge describes the process of making traditional goose feather basters for Fran Hanzel Johnson and some 68 other participants.

Correction: Leni Stastny new email:



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The Museum of the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library met at St. Wenceslaus Church, on November 6, 2010 at 9:00 AM.

Pat Martin, President, called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Joe Kurka, Vice Pres., led Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 47 members attending.

We have one new member, Rosie Johnston.

Program: Shirley Alexander introduced Rosie Johnston, a staff member from NCSML, to present the program "NCSML Oral Histories".

Volunteer Spotlight: Pat Martin gave rave reviews concerning the members of the Guild board members, and gave them all gifts of the magnets designed by Marj Nejd. And a special thank you to Lu Volsch for all she had done.

Recording Secretary: Carolyn Holubar read the Minutes from the October meeting, it was approved as read.

Corresponding Secretary: Helane Golden sent cards to all on the "Under the weather list", Fern Fackler, Betty Gallagher, Marie Cada, Mary Ann Kucera, and Jan Smolik

Treasurer Report: Alicia Jackson said we have \$9,438.20 in the bank. Two bills were presented, one for \$211.20 for future postage for the Guilded Page, and one for \$25.00 as Honorarium for S\vetlu\sky.

Contributions to NCSML for the years of 2008 and 2009 total \$24,396.97.

Museum Representative: Mel Holubar said at the Sept. Board meeting, we members were asked to pick up packets that were put together by the staff that listed a business and some history on past support of the Museum. Mel visited three businesses.

BrewNost was a big success. 750+ individuals attended. \$68,500 was the goal and more than \$76,000 netted.

Groundbreaking was scheduled for October but we cannot get the go-ahead until settled with FEMA. The Paramount Theatre is in the same position.

All utilities will be relocated at no cost: Mid America, Alliant, Mediacom, etc.

Discovery has a contract with a firm that will film the moving of the NCSML building in 3-D for TV, a first for Discovery. There will be two construction site cameras.

Update on Museum/Volunteers: Andrea Jilovec thanked all the members of the Guild for their outstanding volunteerism, and support of the Museum.

December 11th, Pat Martin and Marj Nejd will reintroduce the book, "Czech Wit & Wisdom"; this is the third printing and revision.

Nov. 13th, Wheat Weaving with Viola Zahradnik.

Nov. 16th, the Lace Makers every third Tuesday.

Nov. 16th, 30-40 four-year olds will be touring, with four volunteers.

Nov. 20th, Author Stephen Lyons will read from his book "The 1,000 Year Flood."

Dec. 4th, Cookie Walk and Old Prague Christmas Market.

The Nominating Committee: Marj Nejd said; "Your Nominating Committee consists of me, Donna Merkle and Mel Holubar". "The Nominating Committee asks the Recording Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for the following slate of officers for 2011":

President - Carol Wohlleben

Vice President - Cyndi O'Brien

Recording Secretary - Suzanne Long

Corresponding Secretary - Helane Golden

Treasurer - Betty Sheets

Museum Representative - Mel Holubar.

Donna Merkle, in charge of the Guild Cookbook, suggested a 10% discount be given to all members, the public, and the On-Line Store. Second by Leni Stastny.

Douglas Smith, Director of Retail & Business Development said thank you for all of the support you have given him. On Nov 18th, an additional 20% will be given from 5-8 PM, (in addition to the members 10%).

On Nov. 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, with the purchase of 3 ornaments, can pick a 4th one free.

Lu Volsch said the Sign-Up sheets for the Cookie Walk are here. Shifts are 7:15 - 9 AM, 9:25 to noon, or sold out.

Clean up after that. Please sign in for baking items.

Friday Dec. 3rd, bring baked goods between 1:30-3:30 PM

Saturday, Dec. 4th, bring goodies between 7:30-8:45 AM.

There will be a small Caf\e section available for guests to sit and relax; there will be coffee and cocoa available.

Music will be provided by Donna Merkle, playing the Hammered Dulcimer, and by the Czech Singers.

St. Nicholas will also be there at 9:30 AM, he will then go into the Village.

Babi's Kitchen: A big thank you to all who helped, especially Carol Wohlleben, it has become a very professional demonstration. Joe Kurka donated a wooden kolache press. There were 112 people attending, (three generations). 9 cookbooks were sold and 15 small kolache cookbooks were sold.

Meeting Attendance Lottery: A 'fall' table runner was donated by Betty Sheets, won by Barb Pulkrab. A small-decorated box was donated by Marj Nejd, won by Carolyn Holubar. Two Christmas hot pads were donated by Betty, won by Rosie Johnston and Marie Webster won a container of popcorn donated by Barb Pulkrab.

Social: Meeting will be held on January 8, 2011.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Holubar
Carolyn Hblubar

Refreshments: Don and Barb Pulkrab, Dolores Blood, and Joe Kurka served Angel food Lemon Bars, Poppysed Cake, coffee cake, dish of candy, Chinese Fortune Cookies and juice and coffee.

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Pat Martin
Co-Editor



email:

Next Membership Meeting
Saturday, Jan. 8, 9 a.m.
St. Wenceslaus Chihak Hall

Program: Samantha Hubler
in Prague

September Language Lesson

by Bob Stone

Subject: Long Vowels

English

no long vowels

Czech

dlouhé vokály

Slovak

dlhé samohlásky

/ čárka

{
 á (ah) žába
 é (eh) éra
 í (ee) bílý
 ó (oh) gól
 ú (oo) útok

ā (ah) básnik
 ē (eh) éra
 ī (ee) rím
 ō (óh) móda
 ū (oo) ústa

o kroužek (little circle) ů(oo) kůn

none

háček is not used
on long vowels

ý (ee) prý

ý (ee) žitý



**November hosts Dolores Blood,
Joe Kurka, Barb and Don Pulkrab**

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Subject: Three Special Vowels with New Sounds

English: umlaut, ä, rare

Czech: háček, ě, (y+e) = ye, pěkně, (fine, nicely)

Slovak: umlaut (široké) ä (ae), mäsö (meat)
circumflex, ô (wo) kôň (horse)

Guild Hosts and Hostesses in Place
January 8--Lud and Loreen Svoboda,
Frank and Barb Edmunds
February 5--Andrea Siebenmann, Jan
Smolik, Milena Novosad, Liba Ayach
March 5--Marge and Bob Stone, Lenora
Watson