

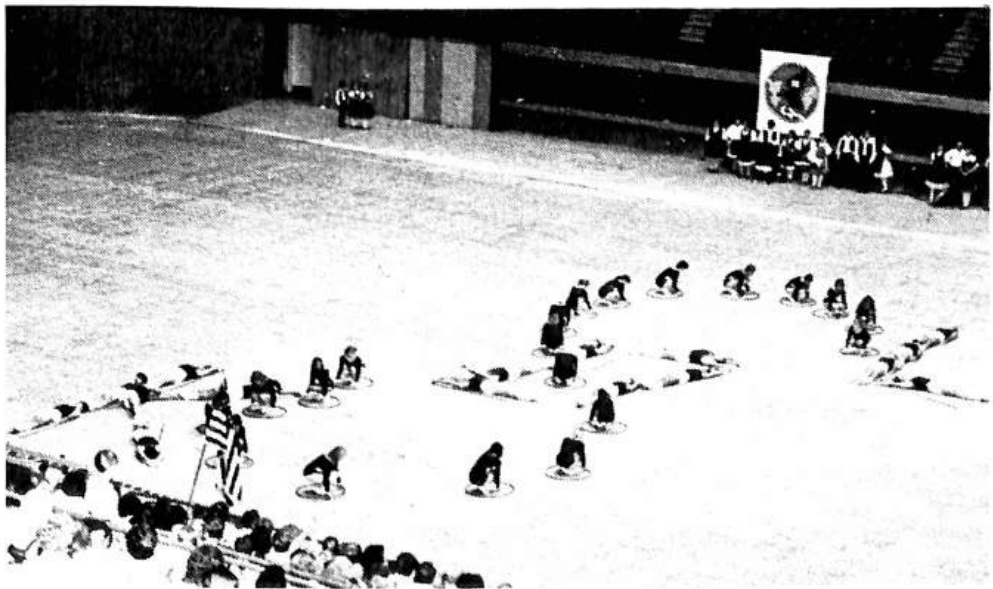
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SEPT. 25 - SOKOL SOUTH OMAHA
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SEPT. 25 - SOKOL LOS ANGELES
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OCT. 1 - SOKOL GREATER CLEVELAND
ASI Club Dinner Dance
OCT. 16 - SOKOL LOS ANGELES
Moravské Hody and Dance

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ASO EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Regular meeting of the American Sokol Organization Executive Board, Monday, June 27, 1983, was brought to order at 7:40 p.m. by President Roy Zitny, pledge to the flag was given. District minutes received and reviewed; Southern, April 26; Central, May 25th; Northeastern, May 25th; Southern, May 26th; Western, June 12th.

All matters were suspended until Ceska Sin and Houston were thoroughly discussed and decisions made. Meeting then continued.

CORRESPONDENCE: Bill from Cermak Road Business Assn. for our dues 6-1-83 to 6-1-84, approved for payment. Czechoslovak Sokol Abroad - tisková zpráva - sis. Prener reviewed it for us and gave us the highlights. Newsletter from Eastern District and Sokol New York, very comprehensive report. From D. A. Sokol, letter of condolence for Sis. Mildred Prchal. From Southern District Instructor's Kurs, a letter of greetings signed by all participants. From George W. Boucek, information on Section 501 (c) (3) and some additional papers he thought might be of use to us. Sent the information on to Bob Seldon, Fox and Assoc., Ltd. Preliminary invitation to the VII. Sokol Slet of Sokol Canada, June 21 to 24, 1984; will be published in the July-August issue of the "American Sokol". Pictures from local newspapers covering some of our most recent events; miscellaneous items of interest for your reviewing.

WOMEN'S DIRECTOR - Sis. Marie Ptacek: I just want to say "thanks" to everyone for all the cheerful cards, gifts, flowers and good wishes sent to me during my hospital stay. Glad to say I am home now getting along quite well. I'm undergoing therapy at the hospital as an out patient daily. Sometime in the near future, it will be cut down to 3 days a week.

DIRECTOR OF MEN - Bro. Paul Lebloch: The "International Gymnast" magazine had a memorial to Sis. Mildred Prchal. Sis. Anne Halik will represent Sis. Ptacek at the Sokol USA Slet. Final report form: Central District for a judging clinic for Rhythmic Gymnastics held on February 6, 1983 at George Williams College, 10 students attended. Nora Heitzel was the instructor, \$56.00; approved for payment. We will check Willowbrook, Hinsdale, Downers Grove, North; Herrick Jr. High School and Chicago Circle Campus for possible competition sites for our 1985 Slet. Bro. Satek suggested that all technical work for

our Slet should be on video tape. We will write to the composers of the calisthenics to see what progress is being made. They are due this September. Sis. Jelinek has agreed to let us use one of her Moravian dances for the Slet. She will teach it to a group. We will video tape it and put it into Sokol terminology. We have written the USGF inquiring when the new compulsory exercises will be available. We will write to several apparatus equipment companies inquiring if they loan or lease apparatus for gymnastic meets. I participated in the Central District Slet; attended the Sokol service for Bro. Adolph Cierny and attended Sokol Milwaukee's 115th Anniversary dinner; also installed the officers of Sokol Berwyn.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN - Bro. Fred Kala: No report, on vacation.

EDUCATIONAL CHAIRMAN - Bro. Stanley Barcal: Pictures taken for the new educational brochure. 10,000 will be printed. A memorial envelope is being printed, which contains the three funds that we have, Future Sokol Leaders' Fund, Library/Archives Fund and the General Fund. 1,000 have been printed. Czech articles will be translated for the fall. Postcards and note paper are being checked on. There was an additional charge for changing the pictures in the brochure.

PUBLICITY - CZECH - Bro. Jerry Rabas: Articles and pictures appeared in the Denní Hlasatel for the Presidents' Conference, Memorial Day at the Bohemian National Cemetery and Central District Slet.

PUBLICITY - ENGLISH - Sis. Vlasta Zitny: Had some luck getting pictures in the suburban papers for the Presidents' Conference.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY - Sis. Mildred Pinc: The financial report for May, 1983, was prepared and copies were distributed to Executive Board members. A 4 year certificate for \$5,000 is maturing 6-28-83. It was decided to transfer this to a 2-1/2 year certificate at 10.40 percent which compounds to 11.12 percent annually. Sokol West's roster has been completely checked. We are waiting to hear if it is in agreement with their records. We've also sent a complete roster to Sokol Fuegner, Chicago, and are in the process of checking Sokol Brookfield's roster. Attended the Memorial Day Parade at the Bohemian National Cemetery; also attended Bro. Adolf Cierny's wake and participated in the Central District Slet. Donations to the Future Sokol Leaders' Fund and the Library/Archives fund for June were reported.

TREASURER - Bro. Bob Barcal: Reconciled bank statements and found everything to be in order.

Presented the comparison charts for the uniform division covering 1982 and the first three months of 1983.

UNIFORM - OFFICE - II. VICE-PRESIDENT: Sis.

Betty Prener: The spring-summer gymnastic season is drawing to a close. Orders have been filled - no longer have any back orders. Collections coming in nicely. Nice orders received from Sokol USA. Broken floor tile in office and men's washroom fixed by Bro. Stanley Barcal. Also checked our air conditioner, which is working fine. Bro. Zak, of Sokol Cleveland, visited our office Tuesday, June 21st. Attended the 115th anniversary of Sokol Milwaukee. Sokolice Milwaukee presented a check of \$500.00 to the men's unit. Gifts were also presented by Sokol St. Louis and Sokol Stickney.

EDITORIAL - SECRETARY - Sis. Jackie M.

Kourim: July-August issue of the "American Sokol" is being printed now. Attended to the large volume of correspondence going out of the office. Participated in the Memorial Day parade at the Bohemian National Cemetery, the wake services for Bro. Adolph Cierny and the 115th anniversary banquet for Sokol Milwaukee.

I. VICE-PRESIDENT - Bro. George Basta: No report, on vacation.

PRESIDENT - Bro. Roy . Zitny: Composing a great deal of correspondence in answer to the large volume of letters we have been receiving in the office lately. Was in attendance at the Memorial Day parade at the Bohemian National Cemetery, presented the private services for our Sokol members, delivered a eulogy at Bro. Adolph Cierny's wake and attended the 115th Anniversary banquet for Sokol Milwaukee.

Old and new business were handled at the beginning of this meeting, therefore meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m. Refreshments were served while visiting with the Kovar's who have just returned from their winter home in Florida.

Respectfully submitted,
Jackie M. Kourim, Secretary

Sokol Educator

JAN KOLLAR

In 1819 a Slovak protestant Jan Kollar (1793-1852) returned to Prague from his studies at Jena University. Inspired there by the contemporary enthusiasm for romantic German nationalism, he wrote poetry proclaiming the ideal of an equally romantic Pan-slavism. His great work *The Daughter of Slava*, is a sequence of sonnets prefaced by a long invocation written in quantitative hexameters. The theme is a poetic pilgrimage through the home lands of the Slavonic people to the Slavic heaven and hell, with glimpses of the past great heroes of his people. Kollar's German sweet-heart, to whom his first collection of poems had been addressed, is identified with the daughter of a Slavonic goddess; thus, as the mother spirit of the land, she

embodies all its ideals and hopes. The whole work owes much in structure to Byron's *Childe Harold*, but its literary inspiration goes back to Petrarch and Dante, and beyond them to Virgil, and Greek mythology. The strength of the book lies in its Introduction, and some of its charming love sonnets; but on the whole it has a curiously archaic, not to say pedantic atmosphere, and some of the poems are so hard to understand that Kollar himself later published a work of notes and explanations to help the reader.

Like many writers Kollar will long be read, if not for the quality of his poetry, for the emotional and ideological content of his work. In the literary record he stands out as one of the first writers to proclaim that the tradition and destiny of the Czechs are part of a great vanished past of the Slav peoples. Czech poets thus saw their national revival as part of a historic movement.

THE PRELUDE

Translated by Alfred French

Before my weeping eyes, extends the land,
my people's cradle once, their coffin now.
Stir not, for where you tread is holy ground.
O Tatra's son, lift up your eyes to heaven,
or turn towards that mighty oak
which yet can spurn the ravages of time.

Yet worse than time is man, that is these lands
has fastened, Slav, upon your neck a yoke.
Still worse than fierce war, more fierce than fire
or thunder, is that blinded man who turns
in anger striking down his kin.
O ages past, around me like the night!
O land that mirrors all our pride and shame!
From traitor Elbe unto the eastern plains
that touch upon the faithless Vistula,
from Danube to the Baltic's gulping foam,
where once was heard the talk of Slavic men,
today that tongue, by hate oppressed, is still.
What nation bears the guilt for this, the deed
that struck one folk and tarnished all mankind?
Blush, envious Teuton, neighbor to the Slav
for all the crimes that lie upon your hands.
No enemy has shed such blood - or ink -
as Germany, to bring the Slav to grief.

Who honours freedom should himself be free;
who shackles others proves himself a slave;
and whether he confine men's hand or tongue,
he tramples equally upon the rights of man.
Who toppled thrones and squandered human blood,
who spread across the earth the chant of war,
- no matter be he Goth or Scythian -
such men are nature's slaves, not they
that showed barbarians the way to peace.

Where are you now, dear Slavic folk that dwelt
beside the Baltic, and the Sala's stream?
the peaceful Sorbs? the Vilna tribes? the realm
of Obodrit? the sons of Uker's land?
From right to left I turn my eyes afar
in searching gaze across the Slavic lands

and seek in vain for Slavic Gloria.
 Great tree, that temple rising from the earth,
 beneath whose leafy boughs the offerings
 to ancient gods arose in days of old -
 Where are those cities, where their kings, the tribes
 the first that called the Northern lands of life?
 They taught benighted Europe how to sail,
 to cross the sea in ships to richer shores.
 They dug from depths of earth the shining ore,
 the more to honour gods than profit men
 They taught the husbandmen to plough the land
 and mother earth to yield the golden corn.
 They planted trees beside the quiet paths,
 the noble linden, sacred to the Slav,
 to spread its fragrant scent in cooling shade.
 As mother taught her child to work the loom,
 so son from father learned to build the towns
 wherein their people plied their thriving trades.

Great nation, what was your reward for this?
 a tattered wreath of horror and decay.
 Like bees that infiltrate another's hive,
 then swarming in, destroy the queen and young;
 our neighbours wormed their way within the fold,
 and then enslaved the master of the land,
 and hung their heavy chains about his neck.
 Where once the meadows rang with Slavic song,
 today the haunting melodies are still.
 Where once there rose the marble palaces,
 the sacred shrines of the thunder god Perun,
 now stand the beggared people's squalid huts
 of salvaged wreckage from the chiselled stone.

Note: From Czech Poetry, a bilingual anthology,
 Vol 1., Michigan Slavic Publications.

Artists and Their Work at Czech Chapel

The beauty and ambience of worship, prayer and praise evoked by the Czech Chapel at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception - dedicated June 26th - is the concerted work of eight artists in nearly as many artistic media.

The sculptress of the arresting wood statue of Our Lady of Hostyn (after whom the Czech chapel is named) is Maria Grace Kanova of Houston, Texas. Of this statue, patterned after the centuries-old statue of Our Lady of Hostyn in Moravia, Czechoslovakia, Eugene F. Kennedy Jr. of Boston, the Shrine's permanent architect, says, "It will be a striking Madonna because of her extraordinary warmth and dramatic posture of saving her people by the miraculous power of lightning."

Jan Koblasa of Brd, West Germany is sculptor of the life-sized bronze statue of St. John Neumann. This statue will stand just inside the chapel entrance.

Commenting on this second striking aspect of the Czech Chapel, Mr. Oldrich Holubar of Glen Cove, N.Y., a member of the Czech Chapel Art Committee and also a member of Shrine's Iconographic Committee, notes, "the face of St. John Neumann is the finest

of any sculptured work I have seen anywhere thus far. The fine finishing and the texture of the statue surface are expertly accomplished."

Other artists are Jiri Chvojka of New York City, designer and artist for the etched glass chandelier in the ceiling decoration, which, incidentally weighs one ton.

George Mathisen, Sharon, Connecticut, did the bronze reliefs of the 12 Saints which comprise the "Czech Heaven" attached to the four standing columns in the Chapel. Perhaps the most eye-catching figure of the 4 sets of saints is that of St. Ludmila, grandmother of the future St. Wenceslaus, teaching him as a small boy the Christian way of life from the bible.

Isabel Piczek of Los Angeles executed the exquisite stained glass entrance to the chapel and the chapel windows. The Czech Chapel is the largest of 57 chapels and two oratories in the Shrine, and the eight (and last) national chapel to be constructed in the largest Roman Catholic edifice of worship in the United States.

Karel Zednicek, Long Island, N.Y., created the colorful mosaics of St. Wenceslaus, as King of Bohemia and the Infant of Prague in the transepts of the Chapel.

Jaroslav Huta of Toronto, Ont. Canada, is the designer and artist of the sanctuary crucifix and two candlesticks for the chapel's altar.

All the Czech artists, it is well to note, were born and educated in Czechoslovakia, and have escaped from the intolerable communist regime.

Malachy Tyan of New York City, a cabinet-maker of oak furniture fashioned the chapel furniture in the reconciliation rooms (new confessionals), and chapel itself. (He is a protege of the distinguished Czech-American artist, Oldrich Holubar, who designed the furniture.)

The twelve saints depicted in the "Czech Heaven" are: Sts. Cyril and Methodius, St. Adalbert-Vojtech, Bl. Zdislava, Bl. Agnes of Bohemia, St. Ludmila and St. Wenceslaus, Ven. Mlada, St. Clement Hofbauer, Bl. John Sarkander, St. Procopius and Abp. Ant. Cyril Stojan.

This Chapel is the most significant religious symbol in the West of the centuries-long yearning of the people, of what is now Czechoslovakia, for religious and political freedom. The Czech Chapel has a direct connection with the original Shrine of Our Lady in Hostyn in Moravia whose administration has been taken over, forcibly, by communist authorities in that sorry nation in central Europe.

Americké Listy - July

Czechs to Stamps

If you can't lick them, collect them, and that's exactly what Col. Ludvik Svoboda of the Air Force Accounting and Finance Center does with his 100,000 Czechoslovakian stamps.

As Director of Program Development he is responsible for directing the evolution of major computer

software systems for the Center and helps determine which projects should be dropped, delayed or altered. But, in his spare time, he is on the board of directors and is the treasurer of the Society of Czechoslovak Philately, an international club for collectors of Czech stamps which boasts 800 to 1,000 active members.



"This hobby started about eight years ago when my wife gave me a Czech stamp album for Christmas," explained the colonel, "and it's been growing ever since."

It has grown so much that Svoboda has set aside time each morning to work on his collection prior to coming to the office. However, because of their value, many of his stamps are kept in a safety deposit box.

According to the colonel, most collectors start out with an interest in a particular country and then zero in on a particular period of stamps. Because of his heritage, he chose Czechoslovakia.

"I particularly like to collect transition stamps," he said. "This is the period of time when Czechoslovakia broke from the Austro-Hungarian empire, from 1918 to 1919. These were the earliest Czech stamps issued, which makes them very rare."

However, he does not limit his collection to transition stamps. It also includes stamps from periods like 1939 through 1945 when the Germans took control of stamp issuance and at the end of World War II when local Czech partisans started printing their own stamps which was illegal at that time. Svoboda also has a stamp with a portrait of a former Czechoslovakian president and four-star general who shares his name, Ludvik Svoboda.

"Stamps have a lot of history," he added. "They have been used to exploit people in concentration camps. During World War II there was such a camp in Czechoslovakia called Theresienstadt. In order for relatives and friends to help the prisoners, they had to travel to Prague and purchase a special stamp which cost approximately twenty dollars. This stamp would then accompany any package of food or clothing into the camp, acting as an entrance ticket for the parcel. In turn, the authorities would tear off the stamp and destroy it so it could not be used again." The colonel has one of these rare stamps in his collection.

Normally stamps in mint condition (never been used) are the ones in high demand with the exception of some such as the concentration camp stamps.

In the past, Czechoslovakian stamps have been plain by western standards. However, because of their place in today's market, the communists have started to make them more attractive. It is a way for them to get western currency behind the Iron Curtain.

Most stamps collected by the colonel come from the shows, mail auctions, and his family in Europe.

United States Air Force - News Release

WFLA Convention

Brother Stankovsky, Karasek, Officers, Delegates and Guests:

It is my pleasure and privilege to extend to you the greetings and best wishes of the Executive Board of the American Sokol Organization.

With deep appreciation our entire American Sokol family thanks you for the most generous support you have shown our Sokol organization over the years and again at this convention. Because many of you have children and grandchildren in our Sokols, you can appreciate our work.

You can be sure that you have, with your support, helped to provide that assurance of the perpetuation of our Czech and Slovak heritage.

Merit scholarships to our young people to assist them in their formal education. Instructors schools that provide the technical training whereby gym instructors are taught the Sokol System.

Our Sokol units are engaged in activities that help to perpetuate our Czech and Slovak ancestry. You will find, in our units, throughout the United States Czech libraries, preserving our Czech identity. Dance groups that give visible identification of our heritage - gymnastic exhibitions that show our strength - Czech schools, located in our Sokol buildings, to keep our language alive.

North, South, East and West - we are proud of our Czech and Slovak heritage and of our Sokol ideology.

We are witnessing a resurgence, of young people, wanting to know where their roots are. We are seeing this in our young people today. Recently at one of our instructors' courses, one of the teenagers on the cover of her notebook - in bold letters - these words - "Thank God I'm Czech". It is with this kind of pride that we can say:

"Sokol was
Sokol is
Sokol will be"

To you, delegates of this convention, our congratulations on your past efforts as a leader in fraternalism and our best wishes in the successful culmination of this, your 20th National Convention. Nazdar!

Speech delivered by Bro. Roy Zitny, President of the American Sokol at the WFLA Convention in Cedar Rapids, Iowa in August, 1983.

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**SOKOL CANADA
7th SOKOL SLET**



DATES - Slet dates are June 21 to June 24, 1984. It will be a part of the next year's celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the City of Toronto, and the 200th Anniversary of the Province of Ontario.

COMPETITIONS - The Competitions are planned for Friday and Saturday June 22-23. At this time it is planned to have the Compulsories the same as those adopted by Sokols in U.S. although this may be subject to change.

CALISTHENICS DRILLS - Seniors - same as 1982 Vienna
Juniors - same as this year (Pittsburgh) 1983
Boys and Girls - not decided as yet

GAMES - Volleyball - further details later.

SLET DAY - Sunday June 24 - all classes participating.

These are the main points as of now as per Br. Jan Waldauf, President, Czechoslovak Sokol Abroad.

**AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION
DISTRICT DIRECTORS' CONFERENCE
BOARD OF INSTRUCTORS**

to be held

October 14, 15, and 16, 1983

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

AMERICAN SOKOL INSTRUCTORS SCHOOLS



Western District Instructors School

It was obvious after the first hour together that the thirty-four students of the 1983 Western District Instructors School were very eager to gather up as much knowledge of the Sokol System as they could in the seven days that lay ahead of them.

During the week they found the terminology challenging but not insurmountable. They were an enthusiastic bunch when it came to spotting and safety, each taking as many turns as possible to improve their spotting and teaching techniques.

As the week progressed nervousness set in when they were told that their practice teaching assignments would be presented to actual 5 to 12 year old boys and girls. Their feelings were later that this was the most beneficial part of their training.

Both students and instructors put in full days which began at 7:00 A.M. and end at 10:30 P.M. without a minute to spare.

A graduation breakfast and program was presented on July 17 to end our week together.

It is now up to the units and districts who sponsored students to utilize these instructors to the fullest.

The Western District and Sokol South Omaha would like to thank all the units and districts and organizations who sent students to the school. We hope your Sokol will grow in strength and number because of this endeavor.

Nazdar!

Vojmir Benak, Western School Dir.

Central District

A Sokol Beginners' Instructors' Course was conducted by the Central District of the American Sokol Organization at the North Central College in Naperville, Illinois, from July 30th through August 5th, 1983.

Subjects covered were: Apparatus and calisthenics terminology, folk dancing, singing, marching techniques, games, first aid and safety in the gymnasium. In addition, rhythmic gymnastics, spotting and progressions, judging and tournament rules, flag protocol, history and tradition of the Sokols and

Czechoslovakia, practice teaching as well as other items were also covered.

Graduation ceremonies gave a bit of all they were taught and were held on Friday evening with parents, friends and other Sokol instructors present. Word of congratulations were given by the President of the Central District, Bro. George Votlaci. The audio portion was handled by Bro. Ed Schnabl and diplomas were presented by the District Directors, Bro. John Batek and Sis. Ellen Jeanne Schnabl.

Southern District

A beginners Instructors Course was held by the Southern District at Sokol Zizka, Dallas, Texas. The one week course was held from June 6 thru June 11. The students were housed in the gymnasium and all their classes were conducted in the area. Instructors for the school were Sister Norma Zabka, Bro. Rome Milan, and Bro. Frank Michalek.

Western District Instructors School Staff



Vojmir Benak, Sokol South Omaha, School Director
Phyllis Kool, Sokolice South Omaha, Secretary
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XIX SOKOL USA SLET RESULTS

PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA JUNE 29 - JULY 2, 1983

Senior Women - Low B Division		
1. V. Toker	DA	40.95
2. J. Cernansky	Gr Cl	40.70
3. D. Kotlan	C. Sin	40.35
Teams		
1. ASO Greater Cleveland		117.35
2. ASO Ceska Sin		113.90
Senior Women - Low A Division		
1. P. Cunningham	Mon	45.10
2. C. Yatchyshyn	Mon	44.35
3. D. Carpentieri	NY	44.00
Teams		
1. USA Monessen		132.10
2. USA Guttenberg		127.25
3. ASO Central District		125.65
4. ASO Ceska Sin		121.70

Senior Women - Intermediate Division		
1. L. Malik	Gutt	43.50
2. D. Summers	C Sin	42.25
3. L. Maggio	DA	42.00
Teams		
1. ASO South Omaha		124.65
2. USA M. M. Hodza		123.95
3. ASO Ceska Sin		123.15
4. DA Sokol		119.05
Senior Women - High Division		
1. M. Waldauf	Can	41.85
2. G. Chilla	Chic	41.20
3. L. Walkowiak	Gr Cl	40.80
4. C. Hannis	C Sin	36.25
5. A. Micek	S Oma	33.45
6. S. James	Balt	31.90
Teams		
1. ASO South Omaha		119.60

Senior Women - Championship Division		
1. B. Flock	Mon	(C) 42.05
		(O) 34.75
		76.80
2. E. Kovac	Union	(C) 43.90
		(O) 28.35
		72.25
3. J. Nieto	S Oma	(C) 42.80
		(O) 27.55
		70.35
4. K. Wright	Slav	(C) 43.00
		(O) 26.75
		69.75
5. M. Swoboda	S Oma	(C) 43.35
		(O) 24.20
		67.55

Senior Women - Master Division

Pl. Name	Organ.	Total
1. J. Gathy	Omaha	45.15
2. J. Smith	Gutt.	43.80
3. M. LaVere	Det.	43.30

Teams

1. USA Guttenberg	128.75
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Junior Girl - Low B Division

1. L. Weight	Mon	41.60
2. D. Dowall	Mon	41.00
3. B. Borko	Far.	40.95

Teams

1. USA Monessen	123.15
2. USA Farrell	118.00
3. USA Monessen 2.	117.80
4. ASO Cedar Rapids	114.80
5. DA Sokol	112.75
6. USA Leechburg	111.80
7. USA New Kensington	111.70
8. ASO Slavsky	111.10
9. USA New Kensington 2.	110.60
10. USA Guttenberg	110.25
11. ASO Tabor	109.95
12. USA Boonton	108.70
13. USA Hodza	105.00
14. DA Sokol 2.	101.50
15. USA Bethlehem	97.95
16. ASO Cedar Rapids	97.30
17. USA Boonton 2.	95.40
18. ASO Ceska Sin	94.50
19. ASO Slavsky 2.	92.15
20. ASO Gr. Cleveland	87.20

Junior Girl - Low A Division

1. B. Hodge	C Sin	45.10
2. S. Maline	DA	44.10
3. L. Lancaster	C Sin	43.75

Teams

1. ASO Ceska Sin	132.35
2. DA Sokol	126.30
3. USA New Kensington	124.35
4. ASO South Omaha	124.10
5. ASO Cedar Rapids	124.05
6. USA Leechburg	123.85
7. ASO Cedar Rapids 2	123.35
8. USA New Kensington 2	122.40
9. USA Boonton	119.30
10. USA Guttenberg	116.35
11. ASO Omaha	110.50
12. ASO Tabor	106.60
13. USA Chicago 2	105.60
14. USA Chicago 1	104.50
15. Sokol Canada	99.65
16. ASO Detroit	97.25

Junior Girl - Intermediate Division

1. R. Kurdilla	Mon	44.95
2. D. Kowall	Mon	44.10
3. N. McLaughlin	S Oma	44.00

Teams

1. USA Monessen	132.90
2. ASO South Omaha	125.20
3. USA New Kensington	123.90
4. ASO South Omaha 2	120.00
5. ASO South Omaha 3	116.95
6. ASO Detroit	115.60
7. ASO Omaha	110.60
8. ASO Greater Cleveland	107.00
9. USA Chicago	96.65

Junior Girl - High Division

1. K. Elsasser	S Oma	39.10
2. M. Osterhaus	S Oma	37.80
3. S. Fuksa	S Oma	36.40
4. J. Reis	Clev	34.90
5. J. Harpling	Chic	32.35
6. D. Walther	Chic	31.85
7. D. Priebe	S Oma	31.10

Teams (High and Championship)

1. USA Monessen	126.30
2. ASO South Omaha 1	113.95
3. ASO South Omaha 2	110.35

Junior Girl - Championship Division

1. S. Sleith	Mon	(C) 42.95	(O) 32.45
		75.40	
2. C. Petro	Mon	(C) 42.65	(O) 31.55
		74.20	
3. K. Wilson	Balt	(C) 41.00	(O) 33.10
		74.10	
4. B. Dalsen	Mon	(C) 40.70	(O) 30.15
		70.85	
5. J. Slezak	S Oma	(C) 36.80	(O) 28.05
		64.85	
6. N. Gillott	S Oma	(C) 37.05	(O) 27.70
		64.75	
7. G. Finney	S Oma	(C) 38.00	(O) 25.05
		63.05	
8. S. Gregurich	S Oma	(C) 35.95	(O) 24.90
		60.85	
9. K. Daugherty	Far	(C) 35.70	(O) 24.20
		59.90	

Junior Boy - Low Division

Pl. Name	Organ.	Total
1. S. Berg	Gr Cl	63.75
2. P. Gilea	Slav	63.70
3. R. Gonzales	Gutt	63.05

Teams

1. ASO Cedar Rapids	187.15
2. ASO Greater Cleveland	184.65
3. ASO Slavsky	182.55
4. DA Sokol	177.15
5. ASO South Omaha	174.70
6. USA Guttenberg	172.80
7. USA District M. M. Hodza	169.75
8. ASO Cleveland	169.70
9. ASO Detroit	165.80
10. DA Sokol 2	161.65
11. ASO Ceska Sin	160.00
12. USA Chicago	145.35
13. ASO Greater Cleveland	135.30

Junior Boy - Intermediate Division

1. M. Dellapena	Gutt	63.25
2. P. Loupakis	DA	63.05
3. T. Demeras	DA	62.95

Teams

1. DA Sokol	185.60
2. USA Chicago	178.30
3. ASO South Omaha	173.30
4. ASO Omaha	170.20
5. ASO Detroit	152.15
6. ASO Crete	140.90

Junior Boy - High Division

1. J. Hinz	Oma	61.70
2. T. Carmichael	Oma	60.85
3. S. Bagsted	Oma	59.95
4. L. Ball	Oma	58.40
5. P. Schultz	Oma	58.05
6. K. Rolles	Oma	57.30
7. C. Dovel	Oma	56.35
8. B. Quandt	Oma	50.20

Teams

1. ASO Omaha 1	180.95
2. ASO Omaha 2	175.30

Junior Boy - Championship Division

1. N. Lanphier	Oma	(C) 58.90	(O) 41.35
		100.25	
2. S. Houlton	Oma	(C) 57.30	(O) 43.10
		100.40	

Senior Men - Low Division

1. J. Wengerter	Gutt	63.50
2. C. Hrbek	NY	62.00
3. A. Forst	Can	61.70

Teams

1. ASO Ceska Sin	181.95
2. USA Guttenberg	179.15
3. Sokol Canada	178.75
4. ASO Greater Cleveland	176.30
5. ASO Ceska Sin 2	172.90
6. ASO Ceska Sin 3	164.35

Senior Men - Intermediate Division

1. J. Vrzalik	Balt	60.00
2. B. Fender	Det	58.75
3. V. Benak	S Oma	57.55

Senior Men - High Division

1. T. Swoboda	S Oma	56.50
2. B. Kusper	Slav	54.05
3. M. Piazza	DA	53.40
4. J. Hollander	DA	52.10
5. E. Skovronek	Boon	51.95
6. K. Pojman	Brook	51.75

Senior Men - Championship Division

1. P. Lat	St Lo	(C) 62.95	(O) 52.40
		115.35	
2. H. Loupakis	DA	(C) 62.75	(O) 51.30
		114.05	
3. J. Albert	DA	(C) 61.20	(O) 51.50
		112.70	
4. M. Trnka	Chic	(C) 58.85	(O) 49.80
		108.65	
5. A. Bremers	Oma	(C) 56.30	(O) 43.50
		99.80	
6. T. Moylan	St Lo	(C) 58.85	(O) 36.70
		95.55	

Senior Men - Masters Division

1. D. Kotlan	C Sin	63.80
2. J. Chernel	C Sin	59.70
3. M. Trnka	Chic	58.85

Teams

1. ASO Ceska Sin	175.65
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Volleyball - Female

Teams	Win - Losses
1. ASO Central District	8-0
2. ASO Detroit	6-3
3. ASO Slavsky	5-4
4. ASO Cleveland	4-6
5. USA Unio	0-6
6. USA Monessen	0-6

Volleyball - Male

1. ASO Greater Cleveland	11-2
2. ASO Brookfield	6-4
3. USA District M. M. Hodza	6-4
4. ASO Greater Cleveland 2	3-6
5. ASO Slavsky	2-6
6. ASO Greater Cleveland 3	0-8
7. ASO Ceska Sin	0-8
8. USA Monessen	12-1 Forfeited

Česká Sín Admitted to American Sokol Organization

After nearly seven years of operating outside of any national gymnastic organization, Sokol Ceska Sin was granted membership into the American Sokol Organization (A.S.O.) May 5th. This move climaxed a difficult struggle for Ceska Sin in which hard work and perseverance definitely paid off.

The Executive Board of A.S.O., headquartered in Berwyn, Illinois, informed our unit of acceptance in a letter addressed to unit president Ron Cherek. The letter states that Ceska Sin will operate under the guidelines of A.S.O., but as an independent unit not belonging to any District. The letter was signed by A.S.O. President Roy S. Zitny who expressed his best wishes to Ceska Sin.

Immediately after acceptance, an updated list of members was forwarded to National headquarters along with the unit's initial registration fee. Dues structures will be revamped in the next few weeks to accommodate A.S.O. requirements.

Since its inception in 1976, Ceska Sin has tried unsuccessfully to gain national acceptance until now. The membership of the unit, however, never stopped working feverishly in bringing persons together from all walks of life to practice and preach the doctrines of Sokol.

The unit is extremely grateful to the National Organization A.S.O. and to Sokols throughout the United States who have supported us through our tough times. It is unfortunate not all units feel this way about us, but we hold no ill feelings and pray that these units will one day recognize them - as true brothers and sisters in Sokol.

Letter from the President

Members of Sokol Ceska Sin;

The basis for a successful organization, whether it be large or small, lies with its members. An organization which adheres to the adage, "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again," will ultimately accomplish its goals. I am proud to say that Sokol Ceska Sin is the embodiment of these ideals.

I became involved in our unit just before Sokol Nova Vlast became Sokol Ceska Sin. The development of the unit, in civic affairs, in gymnastics, and in social events has been astonishing. Despite serious and constant opposition, Ceska Sin has attained its goals, one by one, recently culminating in the acceptance of the unit into the American Sokol Organization (A.S.O.).

The Sokol, or the falcon as it is known in English, is a daring and fearless bird. As a member of A.S.O., our unit will not sit back on its laurels, but it will continue to be as daring and fearless as the falcon in promoting Sokol beliefs and ideals.

I am proud to be a Sokol and proud to be a member

of Ceska Sin. The organization is devoted to the freedom Dr. Tyrš once talked about, and Sokol gives all of us the opportunity to develop a sound mind, a sound body, and a solid character.

Nazdar!

(Signed) Ronald J. Cherek
President, Sokol Ceska Sin

(Editor's note: The following is a letter addressed to unit President Ron Cherek from the Western District of A.S.O. which consists of units from Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska and Minnesota.)

Dear Brother Cherek;

The Western District and myself would like to congratulate Sokol Ceska Sin in becoming the newest member of the American Sokol Organization.

I know that your fight to become a member has been long and hard. It is just a shame that some brother and sister Sokol members have fought to keep your unit out. With the membership of the A.S.O. declining, all Sokol districts should be trying to form new units, not fighting to keep one unit out. I hope now that your unit as a member of the A.S.O. all differences between some Sokol members can be laid aside.

Gary J. Masek,
President, Western District

1942 - A Page from the Czech Holocaust

Incredible, isn't it, that you or I can go to the library and read the partial murder lists of hundreds of names of Czech citizens during the Nazi occupation of Bohemia and Moravia in World War II. I say partial because the murders ran in the thousands. Some say several hundred thousand. It is especially poignant because these are not battlefield casualties of soldiers in uniform, but rather outright murders committed by the people of one country against the captive people of another country who were unarmed and defenseless. And, those people are not strangers to us; they are of our blood and our nation of ancient and proud origin.

And even though these murders occurred only a handful of years ago, the pages of the book of the partial list of murders are yellowed and already tender. It is here that you can read of the familiar and unfamiliar names of plumbers, musicians, doctors, army generals, carpenters, teachers, dentists, mothers, fathers, sons, daughters and cousins.

You can even see the pictures of the stable and barn walls and the yard where 199 men of Lidice were shot to death on June 10, 1942.

And who knows of, let alone remembers their children, most of whom were gassed in July at Chelmno? The books have their pictures as the little school pupils of the first or fourth or whatever grade they were in . . . just as we have our school pictures and those of our children.

And where did the mothers go?

Well, the books with the lists of names and the pictures of children and buildings are there for the remembrance and the lesson.

Some might say, let us forget . . . these things are too sad and cruel. I think, though, many more will say do not forget these victims and events . . . do not forget these lessons paid for with lives. Some will say may you and your children have the courage to live your lives; and fight for the truth and what is right when you can still do so.

And what else would be said - especially by the members of the Sokol unit Jindra, and their families who were all murdered? Just imagine, an entire Sokol unit and their families murdered in 1942 for dreaming of freedom and the Sokol ideals that we share to this very day.

Perhaps you will agree that many would have said "better to learn and remember than to ignore and forget, brothers and sisters."

And know that the Czech nation has known its' very own holocaust over the centuries and 1942 was only one of many pages from that experience.

Bro. Bruce Janda

Educational Director, Sokol Detroit

ASO Financial Report

RECEIPTS: JUNE, 1983

Dues	\$ 1,751.40
Convention Fund	354.00
Special Assessments - Eastern District	177.00
Dividends and Interest	400.33
Subscription "American Sokol"	4.00
Donation "American Sokol"	10.00
"Highlights of Czech History"	4.50
Resale of Jewelry	86.50
Educational Booklets	1.00
T. G. Masaryk Dues	10.00
Skills Patches	44.00
Miscellaneous	71.55
	<u>\$ 2,914.28</u>

ASO Uniform Division - Rent, salaries, etc.

571.17

\$ 3,485.45

Transfer of funds from Second Federal to checking account

5,000.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$ 8,485.45

DISBURSEMENTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

Salaries - office employees	\$ 780.25
FICA & FWT for May 1983	170.32
Rent, janitor services, phone and electric	742.41
Office supplies	9.17
Printing - transfer request cards	76.15
UPS and postage	86.91
Travel Expense	766.10
General Office Repairs	15.05
Miscellaneous	105.00
	<u>\$ 2,751.36</u>

BOARD OF INSTRUCTORS

Salaries	\$ 346.21
FICA & FWT for May, 1983	56.92

UPS, postage, cards	31.12
Additional copies "Sokol Gymnast"	29.00
Editor "Sokol Gymnast"	30.00
Refund - Gymnastic Skills Patches	3.00
	<u>\$ 496.25</u>

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Salaries	\$ 59.61
FICA for May 1983	9.38
UPS and postage	3.94
Supplies	230.56
	<u>\$ 303.49</u>

SOKOL PUBLICATION

Printing "American Sokol"	\$1,047.64
Postage	331.91
Mailing List changes	141.73
Editor "American Sokol"	100.00
	<u>\$ 1,621.28</u>

MISCELLANEOUS

ASO Uniform Division - Salaries, FICA, May 1983 and phone	\$ 469.95
Future Sokol Leaders Fund - Postage	.80
Special Appropriations - Central District	768.00
Transfer of funds to purchase certificate	5,000.00
	<u>\$ 6,238.75</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

\$11,411.13

Balance brought forward:

Western National Bank of Cicero -

Checking account \$ 7,949.79

Receipts - June, 1983 8,485.45

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Disbursements - June 1983

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\$ 5,024.11

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In memory of Sis. Mildred Prchal - Bertha Cerny	\$ 10.00
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ASO Financial Report

JULY 1983

RECEIPTS:	
Dues	\$ 3,519.32
Dividends and Interest	245.68
Advertising in "American Sokol"	200.00
Resale of Jewelry	297.00
T. G. Masaryk dues	10.00

"Highlights of Czech History"	70.00
Educational Booklets	140.00
Skills Patches	1.00
UPS	8.03
Postage	.54
Sokol Plates	60.00
	<u>\$ 4,551.57</u>
ASO Uniform Division - Rent, salaries, etc.	644.95
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>\$ 5,196.52</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE

Salaries - Office employees	\$ 589.02
FICA & FWT for June 1983	184.68
IWT - 2nd Quarter 1983	69.33
Rent, Janitor Services, Phone, Electric	823.02
Printing	1,081.62
UPS Charges	12.82
Office Supplies	6.75
Plate Glass Insurance	330.00
Secretary of State, GNFC Act Fee	5.00
	<u>\$ 3,102.24</u>

BOARD OF INSTRUCTORS

Salaries	\$ 307.20
FICA & FWT for June 1983	68.02
IWT - 2nd Quarter, 1983	21.47
Editor "Sokol Gymnast"	30.00
Additional copies "Sokol Gymnast"	29.00
UPS Charges	2.09
	<u>\$ 457.78</u>

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Salaries	\$ 73.76
FICA for June, 1983	8.80
IWT - 2nd Quarter, 1983	6.36
	<u>\$ 88.92</u>

SOKOL PUBLICATION

Printing "American Sokol"	\$1,026.64
Postage "American Sokol"	316.96
Mailing list changes	148.33
Editor "American Sokol"	100.00
	<u>\$ 1,591.93</u>

MISCELLANEOUS

ASO Uniform Division - Salaries, FICA, June 1983	
IWT - 2nd Qtr., 1983, Phone and Office supplies	\$ 240.74
	<u>\$ 240.74</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 5,481.61</u>

Balance brought forward:

Western National Bank of Cicero - Checking account	\$ 5,024.11
Receipts - July 1983	5,196.52
	<u>\$10,220.63</u>
Disbursements - July 1983	5,481.61
	<u>\$ 4,739.02</u>

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Americans raised an additional \$270,000 to build a base for the Statue. On October 28, 1886, President Grover Cleveland dedicated the statue at a gala celebration in New York Harbor.

The Statue, covered with hand-shaped copper sheets, stands 151 feet high on an 11-point star base. An elevator runs to the top of the base, which is made of concrete faced with granite. Steps within the Statue take visitors to the crown. Underpinnings for the Statue were designed by Gustave Eiffel, the engineer who later designed the Eiffel Tower.

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For Dr. Frank J. Jirka, the incoming president of the American Medical Association, the dream of success never has wavered. A double amputee, Dr. Jirka was installed as president of the annual AMA Convention in Chicago, the city where he rebuilt his life after a World War II injury cost him his legs.

Jirka, grandson of former Chicago Mayor Anton Cermak, who was killed by an assassin aiming at President Franklin D. Roosevelt, married his childhood sweetheart after the war and started making his dream come true. Wearing prosthetic legs, he attended the University of Illinois medical school, received special training in surgery and urology, and set up a practice in suburban Berwyn.

"I don't even think of him as handicapped. The only time I know it is when I step on his toes and he does not feel it," said one of his three daughters, Lynn Sutherland.

Jirka, 60, worked his way up the medical association hierarchy after an unsuccessful run for Congress in 1966. "From a simple point of view it was a matter of being in the right place at the right time. I moved up the ranks." He defeated Dr. Lowell H. Steen of Hammond, Indiana, at last year's AMA meeting to become president-elect.

Dr. Jirka campaigned heavily for the job, traveling throughout USA visiting county medical associations. He opposes government intervention in health care and says the industry should regulate itself better. He is the consummate politician, said outgoing AMA president, Dr. William A. Rial. "He grew up in the political rough and tumble of Chicago." Jirka "is a common man who does not come across as sophisticated or urbane, just kind of warm" Rial said.

Jirka was a lad of 10 when his grandfather was assassinated. He spends much of his time with his family. His wife, Patricia, is his receptionist. His daughter Lynn is his answering service. Despite his disability, he skis, rides horses, hunts and fishes.

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