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CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND SOKOL DUES

- March 5, 2004** Honoring the birthday of the first President of Czechoslovakia
T.G.Masaryk Diner Dance in Basque Cultural Center in
South San Francisco
- March 7, 2004** Masaryk anniversary, there is a committee delegated from Sokol to
put the wreath at his bust in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco
- May 22, 2004** Sokol all day picnic at Chabot Lake in Castro Valley.
- August 15, 2000** Sokol Picnic is planned for in Chevron Recreation area in
Richmond thanks to Ms. Jindra Stroleny. However it will be limited
to 50 Sokol participants. Every and each participants on first come
bases has to report his or her name.
- October 22, 2004** Celebration of Independence.Basque Cultural Center S.S.F.
- December 4, 2004** Sokol members Annual Meeting 10AM
St. Nikolas Party 2 PM
- December 30,2004** Happy New Year 2005 Celebration and Dance Party

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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Date of Birth: ____/____/____

U.S. Citizen?

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Yes

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No

If No, legal resident?

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Yes

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No

City, State, Country of Birth: _____

Spouse: _____

Children: _____

Please, list other clubs, organizations to which you belong: _____

_____ Sponsor: _____

STATEMENT: I affirm that I am loyal to the government of the United States of America and that I am not a member of any subversive organization. If admitted to membership of the American Sokol, I promise to be governed by the by-laws in all my activities on behalf of said organization. I represent that to the best of my knowledge and belief the answers to the statements contained in this application are full, complete and correctly recorded. I understand that this application shall be the basis for and a part of any insurance contract issued.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Minutes of Sokol San Francisco Regular Meeting in Burligame

Date: February 10, 2004

Sokol President Frank Dlask opened the meeting on February 10, 2004, Tuesday at 7:35 PM. By the pledge of allegiance to U.S. flag.

1. The minutes of January 4, 2004 Sokol meeting were not read due to the absence of Sis. Shirle Gangelhoff. Georgina Teyrovsky took over the task of the recording secretary for February 2004 Sokol meeting.

2. Bros. Spanek read the letter from Ms. Sedlacek from Minnesota.

Bro Spanek also brought the Sokol postcard (from year 1965) when the stamp with Sokol gymnast was issued by US post office. Someone is advertising on the internet to sell the original by auctioning it.

3. There was meeting, on 2-3-04 in Teyrovsky's residence, of San Francisco Sokol Financial Committee composed of Br. Dlask, Br. Teyrovsky, Br. Dusatko, Br. Burda. The theme was: How to economise and save expenses for San Francisco Sokol Assoc. The recommendations were:

- a) Higher dues
- b) Less discounts for participating members at Sokol dances. Instead of 50% to be only 25%
- c) Investment of Sokol assets to be review for higher proceedings.
- d) To reduce storage fees by minimizing the content.
- e) To elect fund raising committee.

The suggestions of the Financial Committee was presented and seconded and unanimously accepted. Bro. Burda brought the invitations to the next Diner Dance in Basque Cultural Center in South San Francisco honoring the birthday of First CS. President T.G. Masaryk planned for March 5, 2/26/2004.

The reductions for the prices of Sokol members were already reduced from 50% to 25% on it.

Sis. Teyrovsky brought the attention to the situation that the invitations will be in hands of prospective guest some 17 days or less (on February 12, 2004) at the best before the orders had to be turned in instead to be one month before the actual dinner date as it was requested.

5. It was agreed that as Sokol Vestnik and the invitations will be prepared by Bro. Dusatko, who has more available time for preparation of such documents. Br. Dusatko is requesting for typed articles ready to be used in Vestnik, for he would not translate them, nor change them.

6. It was brought forward, that whatever was announced by the microphone at Sokol dances all was not well understood. (it belonged to the musicians equipment). It was suggested that musicians be alerted to this fact and all the speakers to be requested to make sure, that they are well heard, in the hall before actual speaking.

7. The musicians contracted for March 5, 2004 Sokol dance is Mr. Domitrowich Joe, AlpinesUS., It was brought by Sis. Dlask, that we wish more Czech tunes to play. The musicians do have music notes of desired music, it needs to be brought to their attention.

Br. Burda brought the attention that the next planned event by Sokol is all day picnic on May 22, 2004 at Chabot Lake in Castro Valley. Bro. Hrdina was kind enough to come early to reserve some picnic tables for Sokol picnic, thus saving Sokol from any fees. Participants will be asked to furnish it's own lunches and bring little extra.

The second Sokol Picnic is planned for August 15, 2004 in Chevron Recreation area in Richmond thanks to Ms. Jindra Stroleny. However it will be limited to 50 Sokol participants. Every and each participants on first come bases has to report his or her name. It will be checked at the starting entrance. Each guest to brings their own picnic basket. All have to be there at 10 AM.

Br. Spanek suggested that on Pres. Masaryk anniversary, March 7, there is a committee delcagated from Sokol to put the wreath at his bust in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco.

Sis. Teyrovsky suggested, that the bust could be cleaned from over grown branches, which are now obstructing it from the view of the road.

Br. Dusatko said that the articies for Vestnik could be also e-mailed to him. Br. Dusatko offered that he could create 100 pages for Sokol with colored attractive heading at a cost of 25 cents. The same is costing 99-75 cents per page in professional copying center. It was suggested, seconded and unanimously carried out.

At 9 PM all present members sang out Sokol song and Br. presided closed the meeting.

Submitted by

Sister Georgina Teyrovsky

Children's Saint Nicolas Party (Mikulášská)

Arranged by San Francisco Sokol Assoc.

December 6, 2003

What a splendit day for the Sokol Children's Saint Nicolas Party on December 6th. 2003. There must have been at least forty children of all ages expectantly awaiting Saint Nicolas and his Angel to arrive and to tell him how well behaved they were throughout the year.

Many parents and grandparents were in attendance enjoining snacking on goodies and socializing. Then came an anticipated hush silence as Saint Nicolas (Bro. Peter Linhart) and his helpful Angel (Miss Lucy Pintican), who came all the way from Oregon, disributed a present from Saint Nicolas.

There were several children who played instruments, song and recited poetry. How charming and talented all the childern were, young and old.

To add to this festive mood and celebration of good will and thankfulness our Sokol choir sang beautiful traditional Christmas Carols (Koledy) in Czech and English. Sis. Ivanka Linhart provided five piano accompaniment for the joyful Sokol singers.

It was a wonderful afternoon enjoyed especially by the children and all who came partake of this special Sokol occasion.

Dinner and Dance Celebration of the Year 2003

Arranged by San Francisco Sokol Assoc.

Basquee Cultural Center, December 28, 2003

What a terrific send off to the and year 2003 and a welcome to the new 2004.

There were around 87 people in often dance enjoying themselves, renewing friendships old and new.

Tony Rayman swing band playing from 7:00 pm to past 11:00 pm. They played a variety of lively dance music from polkas, waltzes and even the chicken dance. The band also took requests. The guests danced with gusto and often. There were three delicious complete dinner entrees to choose from. The anticipated raffle (tombola) was a success with many prizes given out.

We were graced by the unexpected visit of Bishop Esterka from Orange County. We were grateful for his visit.

The ballroom dance exhibition, as usual, was gracefui and sublime and very enthralling.

The "snake dance", this time led by Helenka Livingston and Sis. Ivanka Linhart, included almost all of the guests and wandered au over the ballroom to exuberant shouts of joy.

It was just a great successful good-bye to the year 2003 Sokol cvcnt not to have been missed.

By: Bro. Peter Linhart

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Plzeň, 26. srpna 2003

Milé sestry a bratři,

Děkujeme Vám za Váš milý dopis, který nás Vašimi věnými slovy velmi potěšil. Pracovali jsme celý rok na likvidaci povodňových škod, které nám poškodily celé přízemí budovy, kde jsou menší tělocvičny, šatny, klubovna a sprchy mužů a žen. Celkové škody na budovách, hřišti a zařízení činily 2,5 mil Kč, které z části uhradila pojišťovna, z části ČOS, značná pomoc byla také z povodňového fondu města Plzně a Plzeňského kraje, velkou část jsme uhradili z vlastních prostředků, přispěly nám také dary bratrských jednot a sbírka členů jednoty. Úklid a další práce dělali členové jednoty svépomocí. Takže po roce od povodně můžeme s hrdostí konstatovat, že sokolovna je opět v pořádku a nový cvičební rok v září 2003 přivítá hezké prostředí sokolovny.

Můžeme být spokojeni s tím, že tělocvična a sportovní činnost naší jednoty se nepřerušila a naši sportovci dosáhli hodnotných úspěchů v celostátních soutěžích sportovních gymnastů, zápasníků, vzpěračů a šachistů.

V říjnu 2003 bude naše jednota oslavovat 140 let od svého založení, k tomuto výročí vydáme památník, který Vám pošleme a velmi by nás potěšilo, kdybychom mohli někoho z Vás přivítat v naší sokolovně.

Váš dar nás mile potěšil a je cennou pomocí k dodělení některých prací, na které nám zatím nezbyly finanční prostředky.

Děkujeme Vám jménem naší tělocvičny a jednoty, těšíme se na další spolupráci a zdravíme Vás sokolským pozdravem "NAZDAR"

Ing. Miroslav Čapík
Místostarosta

Ing. Karel Kuttan
starosta



Sokolovna v Plzni
Během záplav

13.8.2002





*Honorary Consulate General of the Czech Republic
Honorární Generální Konzulát České Republiky*

Mr. Miroslav Belovsky,
General Manager

Czech Airlines
1350 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 601
New York, New York 100 19-4702

August 15, 2003

Dear Mr. Belovsky,

As a former auditor-in-charge of an audit team for American Airlines some 25 years ago, as a business class travelers on Czech Airlines with my wife in June, as guests of the Lord Mayor of Prague and the Foreign Ministry, and as a honorary member of Sokol San Francisco, I believe I am uniquely positioned and knowledgeable to present you with this letter of endorsement in support of the current request of American Sokol of San Francisco.

As you know, Sokol has requested two CSA round trip airline tickets to Prague as a promotional opportunity for CSA. I can attest, since my appointment to my current Czech post in 1995, my wife and I have attended numerous Sokol events, many particularly successful and advertised in their newsletter. I can't think of a better opportunity for CSA to reach the California market, which it has not done to-date. I feel you have a fine opportunity to make a splash here since I know that Sokol and its leadership will promote CSA more than you would even anticipate. However, I suggest you also offer the tickets to Sokol, upgradeable to Business Class on a space available basis due to the financial demographics of Czechs and Czech Americans in California.

Every week my office receives several calls asking for recommendations on traveling to Prague. I would like to say; CSA has been particularly supportive of the local Czech community and most accommodating based on my personal experience.

Good luck with your new Newark schedule.

Sincerely

Richard Pivnicka

Hon. Consul General of the
Czech Republic

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District Director's Conference: Chicago, IL. October 17, 2003

- Uniforms - Available for ordering. Some problems with color and fit Mostly, they are worked out. See your Director's for a supply list.
- New uniforms will be worn for 2004 Sokol Canada Slet- Toronto - June 23-26. District Director's received Cal. Contact Cheri or Richard for a copy.
- Sokol Na Slovensku Slet: Skalica, Slovakia, July 1-4, 2004
- 2005 ASO slet will be held In Chicago, June 22-26. New events will be Pyramid or hand balancing. There will be a fitness challenge. Cal routines: Children's Cal from 1997. Jr Cal written by Pajer and Satek, Senior 1 from New World Symphony and Senior 11 from Halik's in 1989. ASO Executive Board still investigating the possibility of a traveling instructor.
- ASO Director's have heard complaints that the ASO doesn't do anything for units. They claim new ideas and programs are made available but very few are implemented. The question remains: How do we get units to initiate new ideas? When starting a new program, have at least 3 members in charge.
- 16-24 year old project: This program was created to try and keep this age group involved so that they wouldn't lose interest In Sokol. Some ideas were to send them to instructor's schools, national camp, create a social group exclusively for them.
- Youth membership: Total of 1669. Some activities implemented last year: Newsletter, Webpage, Christmas Coloring Contest, Build Your own Pyramid Contest, Passport program, Essay contest, Pen-Pal program, Sokol Kids Yearbook.
- National Camp: Units need to encourage more participation. There is no pre-requisites to attend. The ASO has Audio-Visual presentation of the camp for those interested.
- Attendance: some units have lost, others gained. instructor's must keep attendance records. They help them look at new ways and ideas to keep attendance up.
- YES!: Youth Energizing Sokol Committee. A new committee formed to get youth that grew up in Sokol back. This program is being started by Sokol USA. We will look at its success and methods.
- Instructor's school: Price will be \$235. If ASO will up fee from Future Leader's Fund from \$3000 to \$5000, it will remain the same price. Next school will be In Omaha July 19 - August 2, 2004. It was proposed that the school staff consider holding weekend school training.
- Youth Committee: need to find Outside activities to keep the interest going. Groups should have a monitor to gauge activities, keep In touch with youth and ask them to come back. District Director's need to push activities. There are many activities and programs being offered, however, not enough are taking advantage of them. They are only effective if implemented.

ASO Development Conference:

Activities: Team Building, Job as an Instructor, Job as a Director, Women's Spotting and Progressions, Vault Table Training and Use, Preschool Class Activities, How to Keep Men and Women's Class interesting, Senior Coed Group 11 Activities, Men Spotting and Progressions, Selling Sokol to the Public, Making Money - Fund Raising, Involving Kids In more competitions, Running Fun Meets. Teacher/Parent Relations, Taking Advantage of the internet, and Diversified Activities.

DOBRÁ VĚC SE PODAŘILA.

Při příležitosti naší lednové mše sv. v San Francisku jsme mezi sebe přivítali i první dámu české republiky paní Livii Klausovou s jejím doprovodem. Po mši sv. k nám paní Klausová kratičce promluvila a pak se snažila pozdravit se přítomnými krajany, Čechy i Slováky. Připoměla, že ona sama se narodila na Slovensku. Pak následovalo pohoštění. Díky manželů Filipčíkových, kteří vlastní "Schroeder's Café" v San Francisku (240 Front St. tel 415 421-4778) a kteří pro nás připravili výbornou svíčkovou a našim kuchařkám, které nám do kuchyně přinesly rozmanité pečivo ke kávě včetně vídeňského dortu a českých obložených chlebičků, se způvodně připravovaného "malého pohoštění" stal velmi chutný oběd. Chtěl bych ale poděkovat nejenom těm, kteří jste tak nezištně připra vi/i toto pohoštění, ale také všem, kteří jste se zasloužili o organizaci této vzácné návštěvy. Vám všem patří naše srdečné a upřímné Pán Bůh zaplat!

Bishop Peter Esterka



Livie
Klausová
among
Czechs in
San Francisco

Vaclav Klaus was born in the Vinohrady district of Prague on July 19, 1941
He studied at the Prague School of Economics (majoring in the Economics of Foreign Trade and graduating in 1963
He took advantage of the relative thaw in Czechoslovak public life at that time to study in Italy (1966) and the USA (1969).
Vaclav Klaus started his political career in December 1989, when he became Federal Minister of Finance

On February 28, 2003, Vaclav Klaus was elected President of the Czech Republic. Vaclav Klaus is married to economist Livia Klausova and has five grandchildren and two sons: Vaclav is the headmaster of a private grammar school in Prague and Jan works as a financial analyst. For many years during his youth, Vaclav Klaus was an outstanding sportsman, playing basketball and volleyball. He also enjoys skiing and tennis. In his spare time, he enjoys fiction and music, especially jazz.

He has published over 20 books on general social, political and economics subjects and he holds a number of international awards and honorary doctorates from universities all over the world.

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Sad News from Praha

Last time died two very good Czech actors, Miloslav Šimek born March 7, 1940

Died February 16, 2004, he suffered on the same disease as his friend Jiří Grossman, who died 1971, just 30 years old.

In January 2004 died another famous actress Helena Růžicková.



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A vykoupej se tam třeba s Janou.*



*A povstejte si tam pro zábavu
třeba parníček, tak to vám pře-
vě radí Sokolský Věstníček*

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