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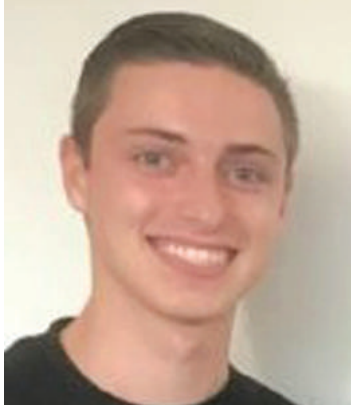
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Message from our Supreme President

Michael J. Horvath

The official start of summer 2019 will begin on June 21, the summer solstice; even though it has already begun for us on Memorial Day. Make this summer a Slovak Catholic Sokol summer and attend



or participate in a Sokol activity either at one of our international or local events. Either way have a wonderful and safe summer no matter where you go or what you do.

Congratulations to all our Sokol members who were selected to receive a 2019 Slovak Catholic Sokol Scholarship. The Society has recognized your academic accomplishments and hopes the scholarship will help you achieve your higher educational goals. Can we ask you to let the Society know about your educational goals and accomplishments? This can help stimulate other members to aim higher.

The 73rd Slovak Catholic Sokol International Bowling Tournament was a success. Supreme Director of Sports and Athletics, Brother James C. Matlon, did a great job in working with the Greek Catholic Union (GCU) and the First Catholic Slovak Union (Jednota), in organizing the 2019 tournament. With more than 140 bowlers, visions of past Slovak Catholic Sokol bowling tournaments, made this tournament exciting and competitive. The bowling tournament brought out Sokol bowlers we have the pleasure of seeing once a year and the new bowlers. It was nice to see members of the younger generation, the 20 and 30s, at the tournament. Hopefully this will be the start to seeing younger bowlers at the 74th International Bowling tournament. Congratulations to all the winners of the 73rd International Tournament many are first time Champions.

It was my privilege to award the 2019 Frank S. Petruff Memorial Fraternal and Sportsmanship Award to one of the Slovak Catholic Sokol's most supportive and dedicated member. You see this member compete every year at our bowling and golf tournaments and at the past softball tournaments. Our Sokol member comes from Group 6, Assembly 25 in Perryopolis, PA where he is supportive of his Assembly and Group activities. This year the Frank S. Petruff Memorial Award was given to

Mr. Clarence Checkton. Mr. Checkton is better known to us all by his friendly social name "Buffalo". Congratulation to "Buffalo" and thank you for your contributions to our Slovak Catholic Sokol sports program.

Happy Father's Day to all Sokol members that have the honor of being a Father. May your Day be blessed with much happiness that you receive from your family.

The Slovak Catholic Sokol will be celebrating its 114th year of providing financial security to members on July 4, 2019. This is a milestone for any business; let alone for a small financially sound fraternal benefit society, who competes with the mega-societies, and is responsible for all the federal and state regulations. Congratulations to us, the Slovak Catholic Sokol, and thank you to the past and current officers and members that worked to reach this milestone.

This July 4, 2019 the United States will celebrate its 243rd year as a nation. I hope all will have a wonderful holiday enjoying the day with family and friends while remembering what our nation stands for and all it has contributed to the world.

In addition to the Fourth of July, the nation also has a special day on June 14 to honor the Flag of the United States of America to reflect on the foundations of the nation's freedoms. As in the past the Slovak Catholic Sokol honored our nation's Flag on Friday, June 14th at the home office.

All is set for the Slovak Catholic Sokol 49th International SLET, July 17-21, 2019 at SUNY Brockport, Brockport, NY. I invite all members to come to the SLET to witness the Society's signature heritage event that it has been able to keep going for over 107 years. The Slovak Catholic Sokol could be the only fraternal society that can claim this honor of a continuous athletic event for members to celebrate their heritage.

Thank you to the Supreme Physical Fitness Board for the work you did over the past two years to organize the 49th International SLET. Your efforts are appreciated and I am sure this will be one of the Society's best SLET. See you at the SLET!

Supreme Secretary, Scott T. Pogorelec, F.I.C. and I have been working on the arrangements for the Slovak Catholic Sokol 33rd Quadrennial Convention, August 3-7, 2019 at the Cleveland Airport Mar-

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*From the desk of the Supreme Secretary***FREEDOM**

by Scott T. Pogorelec, F.I.C.



"So, if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." John 8:36

On Friday, June 14th we at the Home Office celebrated an important day. It is a day that has become an annual tradition here.



June 14th is "Flag Day" in the United States of America. Flag Day is important because we honor the American flag on the day of the first Flag Resolution, June 14, 1777. The Maritime Committee of the Continental Congress passed

the Flag Resolution- "Resolved: that the flag of the United States be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation."

I know that when you read this article, June 14th will be in the past. But the reason why I am writing about this special day is important. Quite frankly, it does not need to be June 14th to celebrate Flag Day. Honoring our flag and our nation is something that we should do every day. When reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, we are not only honoring this enduring symbol of our nation, but also honoring the brave men and women who fight for our freedom.

It is people like Dave Latimer who remind us that honoring our nation's flag is still important. Latimer is a retired Navy vet and the Commander of an American Legion Post in Wisconsin. Each year, the American Legion holds a ceremony on Veterans Day to pay tribute to our veterans and properly retire any used flags brought to the post. Latimer said, "This is an opportunity to demonstrate our respect for the Nation's Colors. Most Americans

don't know how the flag should be properly displayed and most people have no clue how to respect the flag when it's no longer serviceable. This flag is more than a piece of cloth but a living entity, it represents you and me. As long as that flag is flying, we have freedom." Well put, I would say.

Every once in a while, please take the time out of your day to honor our flag. Our veterans fought for this flag and all it represents. We should honor them by showing our respect.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate Clarence "Buffalo" Checton of Perryopolis, PA on receiving the Frank S. Petruff Memorial Sports Award at our 73rd International Bowling Tournament held in Pittsburgh, PA. Buffy is certainly deserving of this tribute as he has been a loyal attendee for many years at our sporting events. It always brings a smile to my face hearing that voice! Congratulations again and all the very best to you Brother Buffalo!

In this issue we are fortunate to see the smiling faces of our 2019 Scholarship Recipients. On behalf of our Organization and our Board of Directors, I would like to congratulate all our winners. We hope that you continue to make us all proud and continue to be wonderful ambassadors of the Slovak Catholic Sokol.

To all our Convention attendees, please take the time to check out the Convention Menu on our website, www.slovakcatholic-sokol.org. Updates will be posted regularly. Convention Delegates will also be receiving emails periodically updating them on all things "Convention"!

Finally, I would like wish all our Sokol Dads a Happy Father's Day, as we celebrated on Sunday, June 16th. Happy Father's Day Dad! May God bless you all!

Zdar Boh!

34TH SCS ALL EVENTS BOWLING SWEEPSTAKES GOES TO LEE FANZO OF PITTSBURGH, PA

Our well-known Pittsburgh area Sokol kegger, Lee Fanzo was the winner of the 34th annual Slovak Catholic Sokol All-Events Bowling Sweepstakes at this year's 77th annual Slovak Bowling Congress of America (SBC) tournament held at Stonehedge Bowling Lanes in Akron, Oh. This year's competition, billed as America's oldest Slovak bowling tournament, was staged weekends beginning March 23 thru April

27. Lee, a long-time member and activist of Assembly 16 in Pittsburgh, has been a participant in the SBC bowling tournaments over the years. Lee's winning score was 2123. His actual score was 1754 plus 369 handicap pins over the nine game total. Brother Lee was among the nine Sokol bowlers from Pennsylvania and Ohio who competed at this year's tournament.

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SOKOL CALENDAR**SUNDAY, JUNE 23**

■ **ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT HOSTED BY ASSEMBLY 59** at Hollenback Golf Course, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. beginning with shotgun start at 9 a.m.; refreshments to follow competition on the greens at the North End Slovak Citizens Club; for details call Tony Rasimas at tel. 570 239-9825 or Billy Barber at tel. 570-606-9488.

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

■ **SOKOL GOLF TOURNAMENT** sponsored by Assembly 261 and Wreath 155 starting at 1 p.m. at The Manor Golf Club in Reading, Pa.

SATURDAY, JULY 13

■ **46TH ANNUAL SUMMER FESTIVAL**, sponsored by the Sisters of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Danville, Pa. beginning at 10:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 14

■ **89TH MILWAUKEE AREA ANNUAL SLOVAK AMERICAN DAY** at Croatian Park, 9140 South 76th St., Franklin, Wis. beginning with Mass celebrated at 12 noon with cultural program beginning at 2:30 p.m. featuring Group 4 drillers, the Tatra Slovak Dancers and the Fujara musician Bob Rychlik; for information call Betty Valent at tel. 414 425-6137.

THURSDAY, JULY 18

■ **96TH ANNUAL AMERICAN SLOVAK DAY** hosted by the Western Pennsylvania Slovak Day Committee, at Kennywood Park, West Mifflin, Pa. beginning at 12:30 p.m., program at Main Pavilion, Mass at 4 p.m.; tickets and info: tel. 412 421-1204 or 412 462-1957.

HOME OFFICE CLOSING

In observance of the Fourth of July holiday, the Home Office will be closed on Thursday, July 4 and Friday, July 5.

**OUR NEXT ISSUE**

In keeping with our monthly publishing schedule of the Slovak Catholic Falcon, the next issue will be that of **WEDNESDAY, JULY 17**. Deadline for all photos and information for this issue will be **MONDAY, JULY 8**.

RECALLING THE LEGACY OF GENERAL MILAN R. STEFANIK



On Sunday, May 19, the Slovak League of America in cooperation with area Slovak fraternal lodges hosted a dinner commemorating the centennial of the death of the Slovak patriot, Dr. Milan Rastislav Stefanik and co-founder of the first Republic of Czechoslovakia in St. John Nepomucene Social Hall in New York City. Headtable guests at the dinner above include, seated, from the left: W. Nina Holy, Slovak League national secretary-treasurer; the Rev. Richard D. Baker, pastor of the United Parish of St. John Nepomucene, St. John the Martyr and St. Frances Xavier Cabrini; Daniel F. Tanzzone, Slovak League national president; His Excellency, Dr. Michal Mlynar, Slovakia's ambassador to the United Nations; Dr. Michael J. Kopanic, Jr., author and historian, who was the principal speaker and Ladislava Begec, Consul General of the Slovak Republic in New York. Standing, from the left are: Kenneth Bombara, Slovak League vice president for Washington, D.C. and Virginia and representative of the Slovak League on the Central & East European Coalition in Washington, D.C.; the Rev. Martin Kertys, C.O., parochial vicar at the parish; Sabina Sabados, Regional Director of the First Catholic Slovak Union and president of the Slovak American Cultural Center; Supreme Secretary Scott T. Pogorelec, F.I.C.; the Rev. Michal Misina, pastor of Holy Trinity Slovak Lutheran Church in New York City; and the Rev. Anthony J. Pleho, parochial vicar of Holy Rosary Parish in the Bronx, N.Y. The impressive painting of General Stefanik which graced the celebration is the work of our late Supreme President Paul C. Fallat in 1954 commissioned to recall the 35th anniversary of Stefanik's death. This painting, which adorns our board of Directors Room at our home office in Passaic, N.J., was brought to the celebration.

Thoughts from our Supreme Chaplain,
Rev. Andrew S. Hvozdo vic

THANK YOU, LORD

For the gift of faith: that strength, that power, that source within, showing me the way, steadying my step and offering me the hope I need to make my way through all my troubles and trials...

Thank you, Lord, for the gift of Church: that wounded, rag-tag, joyful lot of saints and sinners bound in faith together, seeking out your truth, growing in the gospel's joy, reaching out to others' needs - all brothers and sisters in your love...

Thank you, Lord, for the people all around me, behind me and before me: all who've shaped the person I've become; who've loved me in more ways than I can know, who've loved me when I've failed to love them in return; who've pardoned and forgiven me with mercy and with grace; who've shared with me their sorrows and their joys, who fill my heart with peace and who help me trust and know with hope that you're always by my side...

And thank you, Lord, for people I've not yet met, whose paths will cross my own as your Spirit guides our ways...

Thank you, Lord, for the mystery of your presence: in the simplest and most ordinary moments of each day and in the stillness, in the quiet time I spend with you in prayer...

Receive my thanks and praise today for you, Lord, are my God from whom all blessings flow...



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It is a great way to promote your Group, Assembly, Wreath, officers or business. Send your information or logos that you want on your poster via email or regular mail. Please send a check for \$50.00 made payable to: Slovak Catholic Sokol Sports Account
Email: jmatlon@slovakcatholicsokol.org
Mailing Address: James Matlon, 6 Academy Drive East, Whippany, NJ 07981

As per our Organization's Bylaws

Donation Requests for Consideration at the 33rd Quadrennial Convention

In order to insure that our members and delegates to our upcoming 33rd Quadrennial Convention, scheduled for August 3 - August 7, 2019 in Cleveland, OH, understand the procedure for donation requests at the Convention, I refer to page 15, Section 2.2(c) of our Bylaws. This section states: "The Petitions and Donations Committee shall consist of the Supreme Chaplain, Supreme President, and Supreme Secretary. Donations shall be limited to a maximum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to any one church, religious organization, social or cultural association, with a total donation limit of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00).

Petitions and requests for donations must be submitted in writing and mailed to my attention at the Home Office, 205 Madison St., P.O. Box 899, Passaic, NJ 07055 no later than one (1) month prior to the Convention. No Faxed copies or E-mails will be accepted.

This year's **DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ALL PETITIONS AND DONATION REQUESTS IS WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 2019.** No petition or donation request will be accepted from the Convention floor. The Committee shall submit a written report to the Convention.

I hope that all members and delegates fully understand our Bylaws related to petitions and donations. Our Bylaws clearly state our official policy and therefore serve as our guide in all our Convention deliberations and decisions. I bring this important issue to your attention so that we all have sufficient time to submit any petition or donation request to be considered by the Committee and delegates of the 33rd Quadrennial Convention. I appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this important matter.

Zdar Boh!

Scott T. Pogorelec, F.I.C., *Supreme Secretary*

COMMITTEES FOR THE 33RD QUADRENNIAL CONVENTION APPOINTED BY SUPREME PRESIDENT MICHAEL J. HORVATH

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J. Kevin Conway - Assembly 28
Cynthia Walkowiak - Wreath 22

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Rev. Richard Bay - Assembly 162
Lisa Hoeck - Wreath 93
Damian Suess - Assembly 16
Judith A. Babik - Wreath 54

RESOLUTION: (4)

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Rev. Anthony J. Pleho - Assembly 219

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Wreath 54, Youngstown, OH

VERIFICATION AND ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE REPORT

Members of the Verification and Eligibility Committee of our 33rd Quadrennial Convention, scheduled for August 3 - August 7, 2019 in Cleveland, OH met on Saturday, April 6, 2019. The committee reviewed and verified the following:

18 Supreme Officers
Credentials – Approved 18

10 Honorary Officers
Credentials Approved 10

34 Group Officer's Credentials
– Approved 34

139 Assembly/Wreath Delegate
Credentials – Approved 139

7 Assembly/Wreath Alternate Delegate
Credentials – Approved 7

**Members of the Verification
and Eligibility Committee**
Supreme President,
Michael J. Horvath

Supreme Secretary,
Scott T. Pogorelec, F.I.C

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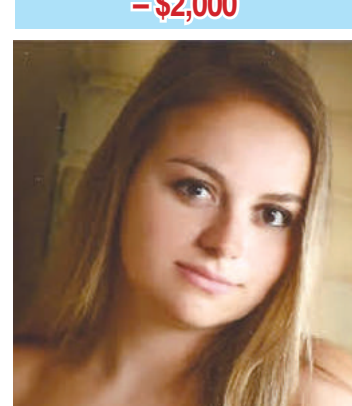
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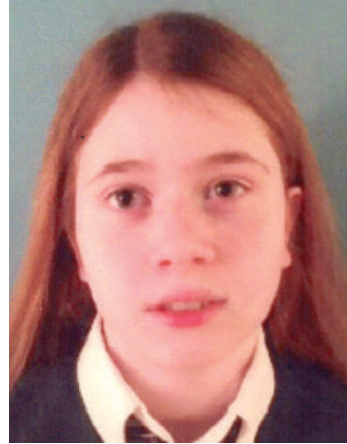
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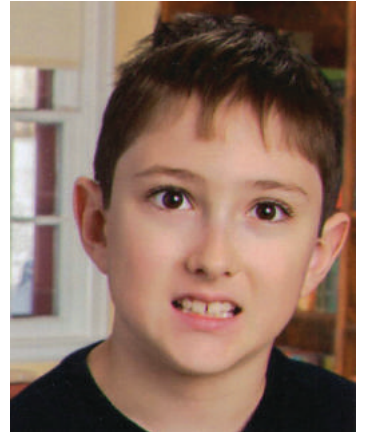
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This year marks the 47th anniversary of the first presentation of scholarship grants to our deserving young members in support of their quest for a good education. From our earliest years, the Slovak Catholic Sokol has promoted education among our youth. Since 1972, a total of \$1,661,500 in scholarship grants have been awarded to 2,377 of our members, certainly an enviable record. This year, we are pleased to introduce the recipients of our 2019 Slovak Catholic Sokol Scholarship Grants. Our congratulations and fraternal best wishes to out to all of them. Happy future and Zdar Boh!

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2019 INTERNATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Seven Oaks Country Club and Black Hawk Golf Course – Beaver Falls, PA August 16th – 18th

The longer days and warmer weather brings us closer to the golf season and to our Slovak Catholic Sokol's 64th International Golf Tournament which will be held August 16th-18th at Seven Oaks Country Club and Black Hawk Golf Course, Beaver and Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

We are looking forward to hosting a wonderful weekend of fraternalism and sportsmanship. The participants and guests for the 64th International Golf Tournament will stay at the Microtel Inn and Suites, Beaver Falls, Pa and Fairfield Inn & Suites, Monaca, Pa.

Over the years, this event has become much more than a golf outing, but rather evolved into a true fraternal family affair. Many of our Sokol members now attend the tournament accompanied with their respective families, which has added to the richness of the event and true fraternal camaraderie.

We are hoping to have a tremendous turnout of golfers and guests this year. Please return your application and fee as soon as possible to my home address: 6 Academy Drive East, Whippany, NJ 07981. If you have any questions pertaining to the event, please contact me directly on my cell number (973) 647-8551, or email jmatlon@slovakcatholicsokol.org. Application and fee deadline for the

tournament is July 20th (postmarked).

The full golf package is only \$270.00 if you stay at Microtel Inn & Suites and \$305.00 if you stay at the Fairfield Inn and Suites. The golf package includes the tournament entry fee and prize money, three full rounds of golf with carts, two nights lodging (double occupancy), including breakfast on Saturday and Sunday mornings. The golf package also includes Friday night hospitality and a buffet dinner at the Seven Oaks Country Club. (All taxes and gratuities are included).

The non-golf weekend package rate is \$100 if you stay at the Microtel Inn & Suites and \$135 if you stay at the Fairfield Inn and Suites, which includes meals and lodging. Finally, for our members who may not require the hotel and meal package, there is a golf only package for \$150.00, which includes entry and tournament expense fees.

We would like to accommodate our senior members by offering an additional choice. A Half Golf Package will be offered at the cost of \$220/\$255.00 that includes two rounds of 9 holes on Saturday and Sunday, along with lodging and meals.

Each golfer must make his or her own hotel arrangements by contacting the Microtel Inn and Suites at 724-581-

5273 or Fairfield Inn and Suites at 724-888-2696.

Golf reservations for the practice round on Friday should be made with the course pro shop, Seven Oaks Country Club, 724-495-3300 and Black Hawk Golf Course, 724-843-5512.

The Friday Hospitality and the Saturday night buffet dinner will be held at the Seven Oaks Country Club. There will be a charge of \$25.00 for those members who would like to purchase additional dinner tickets. Holy Mass obligation can be fulfilled at a choice of many local churches. Mass locations and times will be available at the hotel when you check-in. A brief program will follow dinner which will include the announcement of our tournament leaders and a welcome from our keynote speaker, Supreme Secretary Scott T. Pogorelec. In keeping with our Sokol tradition, Scott will present the 2019 Frank S. Petruff Memorial Sports Award.

This will be a great fraternal golf event, so we hope to see all of you in the beautiful and scenic Western Pennsylvania this August.

Entry forms may also be found on the Slovak Catholic Sokol Website www.slovakcatholicsokol.org under Sports Programs.

Zdar Boh!

James C. Matlon

*Supreme Director
of Sports and Athletics*

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John Moynihan

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Patricia Latshaw
Deborah Unger

(A) Acting President
* Alternates

Ann C. Gorz celebrates 90th birthday in Chicago

Long-time Sokolka, Ann C. Gorz celebrated her 90th birthday on June 18.



The Chicago native initially belonged to Wreath 92 located at the former Sacred Heart Slovak Parish. She participated in Slovak Catholic Sokol activities all her life. She currently enjoys membership in Assembly 11 located at St. Simon the Apostle Parish. Our congratulations and fraternal best wishes go out to Sister Gorz. Happy birthday and Zdar Boh!

THE SOKOL WIN - WIN LEAD PROGRAM

BENEFITING MEMBERS

Program Runs - August 1, 2018 to July 31, 2019

The Slovak Catholic Sokol for over 113 years has provided our members with sound financial protection and outstanding fraternal benefits. The Society is introducing a program that will benefit our existing and potential members.

As a proud existing member of the SOKOL it is quite easy to expound upon and share the qualities of membership. Not everyone is born a salesman or comfortable selling life insurance or annuities. Today, we have qualified life insurance and annuity representatives that can assist our existing and potential members in selecting the financial protection to help protect their future.

THE PROCESS

Share with a relative or a friend the qualities of membership with the SOKOL. Our fraternal programs, benefits and financial products (life insurance & Annuities).

Complete and submit the MEMBERSHIP REFERRAL CARD to the Sales Office.

An Authorized SOKOL Agent will contact and provide professional advice to place the individual into the right solution.

If your referral purchases a SOKOL Life Insurance or Annuity you earn \$10.00. In addition, for every qualified referral, your name is entered in the \$50 gift card semi-annual drawing and the end of campaign's grand prize of \$250.

AVAILABILITY

A supply of SOKOL WIN - WIN Lead Cards will be available to all Assembly/Wreath Presidents for distribution.

Assembly/Wreath Presidents and other Assembly/Wreath Officers are asked to distribute SOKOL WIN - WIN Lead Cards to existing Members who want to recommend someone to become an insured Benefit Member.

Making it easy - SOKOL WIN - WIN Lead Cards are available for completion and submitting on the SOKOL Web Site www.slovakcatholicsokol.org

Mail completed Referral Lead Cards to the Sales & Marketing Office.

The Assembly/Wreath that has the largest number of new Members referred through this program will be awarded \$500 and will receive recognition in the FALCON, on the SOKOL website and the 2019 National Convention.

SLOVAK CATHOLIC SOKOL - Member Referral Card

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: ____ - ____ - ____ Email: _____

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female Age: ____ Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____

RECOMMENDER INFORMATION Assembly/Wreath: ____ Email: _____

Name: _____ Phone: ____ - ____ - ____

Interest:

☐ Life Insurance

☐ Annuity

EVERYONE WHO WINS!

The New Member

*(Financial
Protection &
Fraternal Benefits)*

The Recommender

(\$10 - \$50 - \$250)

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(\$500)

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KIDS' CORNER "Detský kútik"

June 2019

ANNOUNCING THE KIDS' CORNER SUMMER READING PROGRAM!!!!

If you love to read.....this is just the program for you. From June 14th-August 25th keep track of the name and author of each book that you read, and have your parents verify each with a signature. If you are not reading on your own yet, it is perfectly OK to have a parent, grandparent, babysitter....etc. read to you. Try to read books that not only interest you, but Challenge you as well. I will need the completed reading lists returned to me no later than **September 14th**. Include your name, address, Group number and age so that I can recognize you in the paper.

Notice that I have divided the groups based on reading ability....I did this as I anticipate the non-readers to achieve higher book totals as they may have books read to them on a more regular basis. The following is the breakdown of award levels.....keep in mind that those that reach higher levels will receive better prizes.

Do me a favor and highlight your favorite books on the list!!! I love to share the titles with other children....Good luck and have fun reading!!!! Please send your completed reading lists to:

Edward Moeller– 2821 Waterman Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15227. If you prefer to do it on-line...you can e-mail it to me at vp@slovakcatholicssokol.org



Non-Readers

- Level 1 16 books
- Level 2 24 books
- Level 3 32 or more books

Early Readers (sounding out most words)

- Level 1 8 books
- Level 2 16 books
- Level 3 24 or more books



Intermediate Readers

(40+ pages each)

- Level 1 8 books
- Level 2 12 books
- Level 3 16 or more books

Advanced Readers (100+ pages each)

- Level 1 4 books
- Level 2 8 books
- Level 3 12 or more books



KIDS' CORNER "Ďetský kútik"

June 2019

Name _____

What You Need to Know About Father's Day



When: 3rd Sunday in June

Who came up with the idea of Father's Day? Her name was Sonora Louise Smart Dodd and she lived in Spokane, Washington. Sonora was the oldest of six children raised by their father, William Jackson Smart, when their mother died during childbirth. Sonora honored and revered her father, and while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909, she determined there should also be a day to honor fathers. Sonora gained local support and made her dream a reality one year later within her own city of Spokane, Washington. Sonora married John Bruce Dodd. She died March 22, 1978, several years after Father's Day became a permanent national observance.

In 1910 Sonora chose June 19th as the day to celebrate Father's Day because that was her father's birthday. With support from the Spokane Ministerial Association and the YMCA, the first Father's Day was celebrated in Spokane on June 19, 1910.

In 1924 President Calvin Coolidge proclaimed the third Sunday in June as Father's Day. In 1966 President Lyndon B. Johnson signed a presidential proclamation declaring that the third Sunday of June as Father's Day. Finally, in 1972 President Richard Nixon established a permanent national observance of Father's Day to be held on the third Sunday in June.

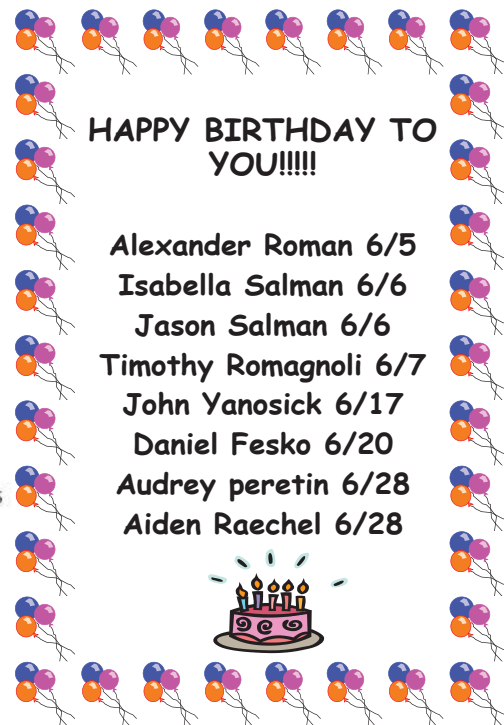
Father's Day is celebrated in every part of the world. In the United States, Canada and most countries in Asia, Father's Day is celebrated on the third Sunday in June.

Why did Sonora want a day for fathers? _____

When was Father's Day made a permanent national holiday? _____

How will you show love for your father this Father's Day? _____

Source: Kaboose.com



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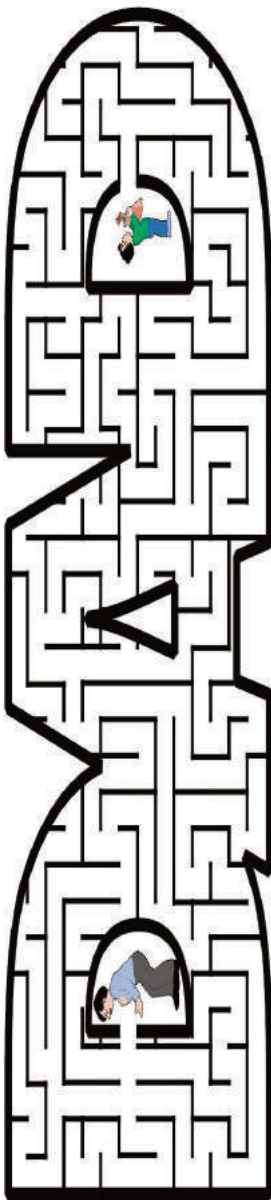
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June 2019

HAPPY FATHERS DAY

Help the father find his way through the DAD shaped maze to find his gift giving son.



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2019 INTERNATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Seven Oaks Country Club and Black Hawk Golf Course – Beaver Falls, PA August 16th – 18th

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Every contestant must be a member of the Slovak Catholic Sokol/GCU in good standing for at least one (1) year or three (3) months with Single Premium Life Insurance prior to the event with a minimum of \$3,000.00 coverage. All new members who are enrolled in the organization after January 1st 2008 will require a new minimum of \$5,000.00 worth of insurance coverage.
2. (A) The golf tournament will consist of six (6) flights as listed below before applying 75% to handicap:

“A” Flight	0 to 12 Handicap	“D” Flight	Callaway System
“B” Flight	13 to 20 Handicap	“S” Flight	Senior, 62 years and over
“C” Flight	21 and over	“W” Flight	Women, Callaway System
- (B) Maximum Handicap per round: Men – 40 Women - 50
- (C) Only the Slovak Catholic Sokol Handicap or GCU Handicap will be accepted for all flights.
3. The tournament shall be held with prevailing U.S.G.A. rules.
4. Callaway Flights: Golfers who do not have a handicap (handicaps are determined after two years, four rounds) of Slovak Catholic Sokol/GCU Tournament play. The Callaway Modified System will be used with two blind holes each round to calculate the daily handicap.
5. (A) All handicaps are subject to review and possible re-rating by “Handicap Committee”. In the case of ties, lowest handicap will be declared flight winner.
- (B) Women golfers will compete in a separate flight with a Modified Callaway System.
6. All play will be 36 holes: 18 to be played on Saturday August 17th and 18 on Sunday, August 18th.
7. A 9 hole competition will also be offered. The registered golfers for this competition will play 9 holes starting, Saturday August 17th and 9 on Sunday, August 18th. (Based on number of requests)
8. Entry Fee is \$15.00 and Tournament Expense is \$10.00. A Golf Banquet will be held on Saturday evening at Seven Oaks Country Club.
9. Prizes: There will be a Champion in each flight and the prize money will be awarded according to the number of entries received for each flight.
10. Foursomes will be paired at the discretion of the Tournament Committee. Participants wishing for special foursomes, please indicate your golf partners on your golf tournament application.
11. Penalty for being tardy at the starting tee will be according to U.S.G.A. rules with loss of position.
12. **Entries will close with a Postmark Date of July 20th, 2019.** All tournament fees must accompany Golf Entry Form.
13. Make checks payable to: **Slovak Catholic Sokol Sports Account**
14. Mailing address: **James Matlon
6 Academy Drive East
Whippany, NJ 07981-1801**

SLOVAK CATHOLIC SOKOL 64TH INTERNATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT ENTRY FORM**August 16th-18th 2019****Seven Oaks Country Club and Black Hawk Golf Course****Golf Practice Reservations: Seven Oaks - (724) 495-2770 & Black Hawk (724) 843-5512****U.S.G.A. 36 Holes****Men-5 Flights****- Women-1 Flight****ENTRY DEADLINE: JULY 20th 2019**

Every golfer must fill out a form and all fees must accompany this form.

Name: _____ Phone: () _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____

Certificate: _____ Assembly / Wreath: _____

Golfer Signature

I hereby certify that the name on this application is a bona-fide member of this Assembly/Wreath in good standing.

Assembly/Wreath President or Secretary

_____ I have participated in two previous SCS Golf Tournaments

_____ I have not participated in two previous SCS Golf Tournaments

_____ Men: I am 62 years or older and wish to enter the Senior Flight and have participated in two previous SCS Golf Tournaments.

Tournament Start Times: 8:30 AM Saturday & 8:30 AM Sunday

Preferred Doubles Partner: _____

	Double Occupancy	<u>Microtel</u>	<u>Fairfield Inn</u>
_____ Full Golf Package	Package Fee:	\$ 245.00	\$ 280.00
	Entry Fee/Tournament Expense:	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
	TOTAL DUE:	\$ 270.00	\$305.00
	Single Occupancy	<u>Microtel</u>	<u>Fairfield Inn</u>
_____ Full Golf Package	Package Fee:	\$ 340.00	\$410.00
	Entry Fee/Tournament Expense:	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
	TOTAL DUE:	\$ 365.00	\$435.00
_____ Golf Only Package	Package Fee	\$125.00	
	Entry Fee/Tournament Expense	\$ 25.00	
	TOTAL DUE:	\$ 150.00	
_____ Banquet Only	Banquet Fee:	\$ 25.00	
	TOTAL DUE:	\$ 25.00	
_____ Non-Golf Package	Double Occupancy	\$100.00	\$135.00
	Double Occupancy	<u>Microtel</u>	<u>Fairfield Inn</u>
_____ Half Golf Package	Package Fee:	\$ 180.00	\$230.00
(9 holes 2 days)	Entry Fee/Tournament Expense:	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
	TOTAL DUE:	\$ 220.00	\$255.00

All hotel reservations to be made directly through the Microtel Inn & Suites 724-581-5273 or Fairfield Inn & Suites 724-888-2696

Pennsylvania Fraternalists gather for annual Legislative Luncheon

Annually each year the Pennsylvania Fraternal Alliance hosts an event that brings together representatives from fraternal societies to meet with the State Senators and House of Representatives. The Pennsylvania Fraternal Alliance (PFA) held its annual "Legislative Luncheon" on April 30 and, as usual, it was a huge success. More than 40 executives, primarily from Pennsylvania-domiciled fraternalists, hosted lunch for over 70 state legislators in the Capitol rotunda in Harrisburg. This informal gathering gives PFA members the opportunity to remind long-time lawmakers about the irreplaceable contributions fraternalists make to communities in every corner of the state, and to introduce new legislators to the thriving fraternal community in Pennsylvania.

The large number of Alliance member societies domiciled in Pennsylvania – We have a well-established presence and a well-deserved reputation for integrity among policymakers in the legislature and insurance department, thanks to a longtime commitment to telling our story.

This year the Slovak Catholic Sokol was represented by Supreme President - Michael, Horvath, Supreme Vice President Edward Moeller and Sales and Marketing Director - Albert J. Suess Jr. If you or friends of yours have a relationship or contact with any politicians on the local, state or federal levels, please remember to mention to them the many benefits of the fraternal system and ask them to support our tax-exempt status. – **Albert J. Suess, Jr.**



Representative Eddie Day Pashinski of the 1st Legislative District, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Luzerne County, far left and Representative Michael Carroll of the 118th District of Bear Creek, Pa., also of Luzerne County, center, long-time supporters of the fraternal benefit system, are shown with our organization's representatives, including, l-r, Supreme President Michael J. Horvath, our Sales & Marketing Director Albert J. Suess, F.I.C. and Supreme Vice President Edward D. Moeller.



Pennsylvania's Lieutenant Governor John Fetterman, standing rear center, is shown with Pennsylvania fraternal leaders who participated in the annual Legislative Luncheon

34TH SCS ALL EVENTS BOWLING SWEEPSTAKES GOES TO LEE FANZO OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

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The Slovak Bowling Congress was established in 1939 and is certified by the United States Bowling Congress. The annual competition held annually, with the exception of the World War II years, has been held weekends since its inception. Our SCS All-Events Sweepstakes has been a part of the annual competition since 1986. The sweepstakes were approved by the SCS Board of Directors at the recommendation of the late Dr. Stephen J. Hletko of Chicago, a former sports director of the Slovak Catholic Sokol and founding member of the Slovak Bowling Congress. The winner of this year's Stephen J. Hletko Award was Zac Freeman of Warren, Oh.

Again, our congratulations and fraternal best wishes go out to Brother Lee Fanzo. As well, a sincere thank to all Sokol bowlers who participated in this year's competition.

Next year's 78th annual Slovak Bowling Congress of America Tournament is scheduled for the spring of 2020 at the Freeway Bowling Lanes in Warren, Oh. For information on the Slovak Bowling Congress, contact the Secretary, Joe M. Harkulich, 1414 Bedford Road SE, Masury, Oh. 44438, tel. 330 448-8630. Sokols who serve on the SBC Advisory Board include, Supreme Secretary Scott T. Pogorelec, F.I.C., Supreme Directors of Sports and Athletics James C. Matlon and Richard Underation.

2019 SCS ALL-EVENTS SWEEPSTAKES PARTICIPANTS

Name	City	Score
Lee Fanzo	Pittsburgh, Pa.	2123
Ryan Trifiletti	Lorain, Oh.	2105
Mike Rostek	Pittsburgh, Pa.	2065
Larry Werner	Pittsburgh, Pa.	1930
Lance Werner	Pittsburgh, Pa.	1884
Joseph Zuschak	Akron, Oh.	1877
Jay Barna	Pittsburgh, Pa.	1837
Frank Hrusovsky	Cleveland, Oh.	1808
Luis Palos	Lorain, Oh.	1724

Congratulations to all our Sokol participants. Zdar Boh!

Message from our Supreme President

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riot in Cleveland, OH. The Convention delegates have been verified, the Convention committees have been formed, the Convention agenda is being worked on and the Convention activities have been organized. There are some things that still need to be done but all is ready for the delegate's arrival on Saturday, August 3 for a successful and productive Convention. I ask the delegates to prepare themselves for the Convention so you will be able to have a good experience of participating in our Society's highest governing function. To help all delegates prepare for the Convention; all Convention information can be found on the Slovak Catholic Sokol website under the Convention tab.

Seeing all that is happening over the next three months there is time for all of us to take a moment and ask ourselves what we are most proud of what the Slovak Catholic Sokol does for its members. My number one thing is the Society provides financial security to its members. So, I ask all members, have you contributed to our Society's success? Have you attended your Group, Assembly or Wreath meetings or recommended or signed up a new member? It is only by members working together will the Slovak Catholic Sokol continue to grow. If you have not, I hope you will begin and bring an application to the either the SLET or Golf Tournament but especially to the Convention.

With God's Blessing to All! Zdar Boh!

73RD INTERNATIONAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT HELD AT NOBLE MANOR BOWLING LANES, PITTSBURGH, PA.

The 73rd Annual Slovak Catholic Sokol International Bowling Tournament was held on Friday May 17th and Saturday May 18th, 2019 at the Noble Manor Lanes in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The combined bowling tournament included members from the Greek Catholic Union (GCU) Fraternal organization for the 5th straight year along and members from the First Catholic Slovak Union (FCSU).

Pittsburgh Plaza Hotel was the host hotel for the 2019 bowling tournament and was minutes away from Noble Manor Lanes.

The three fraternal organizations combined with 29 Men's Team and 12 Women's Teams, for a total of 164 bowlers. The annual sporting event began Friday with team bowling beginning at 5:30. The playing of the National Anthems of the United States and Canada kicked off the event. All of the bowlers received a souvenir coffee mug from the fraternal societies.

On Friday evening from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., the bowlers were treated to a hospitality dinner at the bowling alley that included ziti, sausage and peppers, pulled pork, coleslaw, fresh fruit, fresh vegetables and soft drinks, allowing ample time to eat and socialize during the tournament. Supreme Director of Sport and Athletics, James C. Matlon welcomed all of the bowlers. Basil Wahal, Activities and Communications Director from the GCU, and Kevin Collins, FCSU Fraternal Activities Director coordinated the lane assignments for all 41 teams.

Friday night team tournament winners include: Female Division first place winners from the FCSU Team 412 consist of Chris Tokarsky, Denise Ricciuti, Anne Mitro and Bobbie Werner from the Slovak Catholic Sokol, with a handicap score of 2815 total. Second place team 412 members from the GCU included Patricia Kutzfara, Patricia Nisjach, Barbara Wahal, Melanie Basl with a combined handicap score of 2373. Finally third place team winners from SCS with a handicap score of 2347 are Heather's Heroes with Heather Horvath leading her team members: Kelly Palchanis, Marianne Mangiafico and Bernadette Jacob. Way to go ladies! All three fraternal organizations were well represented in the winnings.

Women's Team Scratch winners include: First place winners from the GCU, Team 412 with an actual score of 1995. Second place is awarded to SCS team 2+2 from Barberton and includes: Karen Bakita, Carol Mako, Diana Simpson and Jean Karaffa with an actual score of 1802. Rounding out the Women's Team Scratch Division are SCS Heather's Heroes with a total score of 1786.

The Men's Team Division with Handicap First Place Winners from FCSU, Mon Valley Boys: Vernon C. Smith, David Smith, George Resi and Vernon E. Smith with a handicap score of 2815. Second place winners from SCS Assembly 162: Albert Pogorelec, Honorary Supreme Officer, Steve Pogorelec, John Termyna and Thomas Krack with a score of 2767. Third place winners hail from Lilly, Pa. and include SCS members: Thomas Muldoon Jr., Nicholas Cassisi, James Bart and John Smith with a score of 2705.

Men's Team Scratch winners include: First place winners Club Lanes consisting of bowlers: Ryan Lebanik, Jeffrey Siesky, John Adamcik and Mark Cherpak with an actual score of 2251. Second place was awarded to GEO Lawn Service and included Robert Pugh, Wayne Newmyer, George Romanchak, Steven Romanchak beating the Mon Valley Boys by 1 pin for scores of 2195 and 2194 respectively.

On Saturday morning, bowlers returned to the Noble Manor Lanes for the Doubles and Singles competition. In the Women's Division the dynamic duo of Patricia Kutzfara and Barbara Wahal bowled a combined score of 1,220 ahead of the second place team from Lilly, Pa. Colleen Keagy and Nancy Cassisi who bowled a

close 1,208 combined handicap score. Third place trailed behind by a 7 pin difference. Anne Mitro and Carol Gemoll scored 1201. All results were handicap scores.

Scratch Women's Doubles winners include: GCU ladies, Patricia Kutzfara and Barbara Wahal took first place with an actual score of 1037; while SCS women took second and third. Second place winners Diana Simpson and Jean Karaffa scored 1032 while Third Place winners Karen Bakita and Carol Mako scored 962.

In the Women's Singles Division, the same three ladies took first, second and third place in both scratch and handicap events. Handicap Singles Division: Kathleen Shirilla – 1st place with a score of 770, Patricia Kutzfara- 2nd place score of 754 and Jean Karaffa -3rd place score of 735. Scratch standings resulted in Jean Karaffa placing 1st with a score of 579, Kathleen Shirilla placing 2nd with a score of 551 and Patricia Kutzfara scoring in 3rd with a total of 526. In the Men's Division with Handicap, the father-son duo Vernon Smith Junior and David Smith claimed first place with a 41 pin margin against the second place team consisting of Vernon Smith and George Pesl. The winners rolled a total of 1490 with handicap. Second place winnings were won by a one pin margin against third place duo. George and Vernon rolled a 1449 combined score for second place over Brian Phillips and Dave Iskra Sr. bowling a 1448.

The Men's Double Scratch Division winners include: First Place Ryan Lebanik and John Adamcik for a total of 1296 pins; Second Place Jeffrey Siesky and Mark Cherpak trailed behind 7 pins for a combined score of 1289; and Third Place Winners with 9 less pins were Charles Houser and Keith Eggar for a score of 1280.

In the Men's Singles Division, Handicap scores yielded the following winners: Vernon E. Smith- First place with a score of 819; second place winner – AJ Novotney with a score of 789 and third place winner with a score of 776 was Ryan Lebanik. Scratch winners include: First place winner – Andrew Keebler with an actual score of 1280.

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Well-known Assembly 25, Perryopolis, Pa. Sokol, Clarence "Buffalo" Cechton was the recipient of the Frank S. Petruff Memorial Sports Award at this year's 73rd International Bowling Tournament in Pittsburgh, Pa. Brother Cechton, center, is shown with Sokol officers and past recipients of the Petruff Sports Award, and include from the left: Chairperson of Supreme Auditors James G. Jerek, Member of the Supreme Physical Fitness Board Martin Degnan, Honorary Supreme Officer Steven M. Pogorelec, F.I.C., Supreme President Michael J. Horvath, Member of the Supreme Physical Fitness Board Nancy Kropolinsky, Brother Cechton who has been an active Sokol sports enthusiast all his life; Edith M. Babik, Paul Awramko, nephew of the late Frank S. Petruff; Albert Pogorelec and Supreme Assistant Sports Director Frank P. Laury.

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score of 719, Second place goes to Vernon E. Smith with a score of 702 and third place, with a score of 692 was Ryan Lebanik.

In the Women's Division for All-Events with handicap, Patricia Kutzfara placed first with a score of 2002: Singles- 526, Doubles- 534, Team- 462, with a handicap of 480. Anne Mitro earned second place with a total score of 1921: Singles- 426, Doubles- 460, Team- 447, with a handicap of 588. Third place recognition goes to Nancy Rice with a total score of 1915: Singles- 458, Doubles- 421, Team- 430, with a handicap of 606. Highest recognition of best scratch all events winner for the female division goes to Melanie Basl with an overall actual score of 1660: Singles- 522, Doubles- 532, and Team- 606.

The Men's division for All-Events with handicap resulted in AJ Novotney, from Perryopolis, Pa. placing first with a score of 2,215: Singles- 672, Doubles-581, Team- 611 and a handicap of 351. Second place was awarded to David Smith for a score of 2,204: Singles- 463, Doubles-674, Team- 590 and a handicap of 477. Third place honors goes to Charles Houser with a total score of 2,177: Singles- 658, Doubles-742, Team- 588 and a handicap of 189. Men's All Events Scratch Winner was Andrew Keebler with an actual score of 2039. Andrew scored 719 in Singles, 690 in doubles and 630 in Team events.

One of the highlights of the tournament was cheering on Gregory Maranowski as he studied the lanes attempting to bowl a perfect score. His nine lane strike streak ended in a final score of 262. Congratulations Gregory on your efforts and athleticism.

After the bowlers finished with doubles and singles on Saturday afternoon, a Roman Catholic Mass was celebrated by Fr. Tom Nasta of the FCSU at the Pittsburgh Plaza Hotel prior to the banquet. A sit down meal was provided for bowlers and guests with the option to choose from fish or chicken as the main entrée. Salad, fruit salad, bread and butter, potatoes and vegetables accompanied the main course. Dessert, coffee and a cash bar were provided.

Kevin Collins, FCSU Fraternal Activities Director welcomed the fraternal organizations and bowlers. Father Nasta offered a blessing before the delicious meal was served. After dinner, Frank Laury, SCS Assistant Director of Sports and Athletics congratulated all bowlers and recognized SCS officers present. Mike Karffa, spokesperson for the GCU introduced officers present. Nancy Kropolinsky, Member of the SCS Supreme Physical Fitness Board announced unofficial leaders for each division including the top three Teams, Doubles, Singles and All Events for the Men's Division and Women's Division.

The final event of the evening was the announcement of the Frank S. Petruff Memorial Sports Award presented each year to a member of our organization who has been very active at the Assembly, Group and National level promoting and participating in the International Bowling Tournaments. From Perryopolis, PA., Clarence Checkton, better known as "Buffalo" was the 2019 recipient of the Frank S. Petruff Award. Buffalo was surprised and humbled to be awarded this honor. He now joins the following winners of the past seven years: Paul Awramko, Paul E. Sweeney, Albert J. Pogorelec, Michael T. Matras, Francis J. Risko, Christine M. Sofranko, and Chet Dziuba.

The rest of the evening was spent socializing between fellow members of our society and members of the Greek Catholic Union and the First Catholic Slovak Union. On Sunday morning the bowlers and guests headed home reflecting on the eventful weekend and looking forward to the 2020 Bowling Tournament. ZdarBoh!

Nancy L. Kropolinsky
Supreme Physical Fitness Board Member



GCU National President George N. Juba and Supreme President Michael J. Horvath opened the tournament by rolling out the first bowls.



Veteran Assembly 162 keglers from Clifton, N.J. included, I-r, Albert Pogorelec, Honorary Supreme Officer Steven M. Pogorelec, F.I.C., John Termyna and Thomas J. Krack.



"Heather's Heroes" from Group 7, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. included, I-r, Heather Horvath, Kelly Palchanis, Marianne Mangiafico and Bernadette Jacob.



Ambridge, Pa. keglers included, I-r, Christine Sofranko, Geri Polloch, Kami Simon and Evie Catanzante.



2 + 2 Barberton, Oh. bowlers included, I-r, Karen Bakita, Carol Macko, Diana Simpson and Jean Karaffa.



Group 7 keglers included, I-r, Supreme President Michael J. Horvath, Member of the Supreme Physical Fitness Board Martin Degnan, Charles Tokach and Joseph Hvozdic, Jr.



Sokolky from Milwaukee, Wis. and Lilly, Pa. included, I-r, Caroline Gemoll, Vickie Lofrate, Nancy Cassisi and Colleen Keagy.



Lilly, Pa. team #3 included, I-r. Jeremy Glass, Francis Risko, Gary Risko and Brian Risko.



"Paul's Bar & Bowling" from Group 1 included, I-r, Marc Kudlacik, Donald Salmanowitz, Robert Mosloski and Scott Pitman.



Keglers from Ambridge, Lilly and Wilkes-Barre, Pa. included, I-r, Brian Phillips, Dave Iskra, Sr., John Goberish and Doug Simon, Sr.



The Lilly, Pa. team #1 included, from the left, Nathan Keagy, Alan Keagy, Robert Shedlock and Corey Shedlock.



"The New Dallas Charger" team from Group 7 included, I-r, Jeremy Francis, Justin Francis, David Iskra, Jr. and Jeff Jacob.

REV. EMIL F. TOMASKOVIC, S.A. CELEBRATES 75TH BIRTHDAY

The Rev. Emil F. Tomaskovic, S.A., a Franciscan Friar of the Atonement at Graymoor, Garrison, N.Y. celebrated his 75th birthday on June 3. A native of Yonkers, N.Y., he was born there June 3, 1944, son of the late John and Margaret Sencen Tomaskovic. He was graduated from the former Most Holy Trinity School there where his teachers were the Sisters of SS. Cyril and Methodius.



Father Emil entered the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement in 1957. He attended St. Pius X College at Graymoor and The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. where he received degrees in Philosophy and Theology. He was ordained a priest at St. Columanus Church in Peekskill, N.Y. by the late Bishop Joseph M. Pernicone on January 9, 1971. He celebrated his first solemn Mass at Most Holy

Trinity Church in Yonkers, N.Y. on January 10, 1971.

He was associate director of New Hope Manor in 1972 and went on to become the associate director of the Novitiate in Rhode Island and Medford Mass. In 1973, he became executive director of St. Joseph's Rehabilitation Center at Saranac Lake, N.Y. He received accreditation in alcoholism counseling and served as Director of the Rehabilitation Program at St. Joseph's until 1989 when he was elected Minister General of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement. He was reelected to a second term in 1994 and served until May of 1999. In April 2000, Father Emil was appointed Director of Planned Giving and Major Gifts for the friars. He has served as President of the New York Federation of Alcoholism Counselors and Vice President of the New York State Council on Alcoholism.

Father Emil has been our Sokol of Assembly 219 in Yonkers, N.Y. since birth and also enjoys membership in Branch 41 of the First Catholic Slovak Union.

Our congratulations and prayerful best wishes go out to Father Emil on this milestone in his very fruitful and rewarding life.

He beautifully mirrors our Cyrilo-Methodian heritage of faith and is a credit to the American Slovak community. Ad multos annos and Zdar Boh!



Sokols and Sokolkys of Group 7 gathered together for Joining hands Day, to honor Father Joseph Murgas at Secret Heart Cemetery in Dalas PA. The group planted flowers and cleaned up the memorial site. Officers and members who participated in the event. from l-r, Nancy Fedor, Audrey Graham, Kim Graham, Amy Blasco, Frank Lipski, Tony Rasimus, Pam Lipski, Kelly Palchanis.

Kaitlin Trokan, Milwaukee Sokolka enjoyed teaching English in Slovakia

Kaitlin Trokan, a member of Wreath 93 in Milwaukee, Wis., and a woman of strong faith, has always enjoyed travel and serving the needs of others. In 2015, the summer before her sophomore year in college, she used the money she'd saved up to study travel writing and beginner Italian in Tuscany, Italy, a small town an hour north of Rome. Upon her return home the experience led her to give serious thought to teaching abroad. The long process to her final placement began the summer of 2017 when she had to get certified to Teach English as a Foreign Language (TEFL). While the process included classwork, it also afforded the opportunity to teach beginner level English to recently relocated refugees in Milwaukee through Catholic Charities.



In August 2018, she flew to New York for a visa and 10 days later left for Slovakia. Teaching in her ancestral homeland was an added incentive. She was assigned to Gymnazium sv. Edity Steinovej, the Edith Stein middle and high school in Kosice in eastern Slovakia where she is currently teaching middle and high school English, global studies and runs the English drama club.

Her students enjoy hearing about life in the United States and they debate broad topics, including feminism, global politics and the idea of truth. Kaitlin likes her students whose enthusiasm provides a positive high energy note.

In Slovakia, the students wait by their desk for the teacher to come in the room and say good morning before sitting down. Students have told Kaitlin that the greeting exchange in her room makes their day and they leave feeling better. Kaitlin lives with a host family who speaks English. While most of her world in Slovakia can be navigated with her native language, however her struggle to maintain conversations in Slovak helps her relate to her students. Their mutual difficulties can slowly be overcome and lead to better communication for all.

After the school year, Kaitlin expects to return home to teach in Milwaukee.

Kaitlin's experience was featured in a wonderful article by Callie Gay in the Catholic Herald, publication of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. In the article, Kaitlin said "I know that I'll be back in Slovakia, though, especially with the friends I have made here, the exchange students living here, and the affection I have developed for this country. Maybe I'll live abroad again one day in another country. Who knows where God will lead me?"

Kaitlin hails from a well-known Milwaukee area Slovak family who have been active in the Slovak Catholic Sokol for generations. She is the great-granddaughter of former Supreme President Frank Bobusch. She was a recipient of a Slovak Catholic Sokol College grant in 2017. Kaitlin beautifully mirrors our faith traditions and fraternal outreach efforts. Happy future and Zdar Boh!

FUJARA LESSONS AVAILABLE AT MARYLAND COLLEGE

Fujara, Koncovka and guitar lessons are available during the summer season at McDaniel College in Westminster, Maryland. The session is held June 30 to July 5 and will feature classes for beginner and intermediate players at Common Ground on the Hill. Advanced classes in the fujara, koncovka, guitar and flute are also being offered. For information on these classes, contact Bob Rychlik at fujara@gmail.com.



OBITUARIES

Fred A. Graham, life-long Sokol activist passes away in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. at age 84

Fred A. Graham passed away peacefully on April 15 at the Residential Hospice at Geisinger South in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. He was 84.

A native of Jenkins Twp., he was born there son of the late Hamilton and Thelma Harding Graham. Fred attended Kingston High School and then joined the U.S. Air Force. He was discharged in 1958, attaining the rank of Airman 2nd Class.

After the military, his career consisted of being a purchasing agent with Craft Associates and Comfort Design. Later, he served as superintendent of Mount Olivet Cemetery, in the Carverton section of Wyoming, Pa. for the Diocese of Scranton for over 25 years. After retirement, Fred provided student transport for Wilkes University until 2015.

A community activist all his life, Fred served many church and fraternal organizations. He was a coach in the North End Little League. He has been active in Assembly 59 in Wilkes-Barre, serving in various capacities over the years. He represented his lodge at numerous Sokol quadrennial conventions. He was also active in the work of Group 7 "Rev. Joseph Murgas." He helped to organize many Eastern District Basketball and Volleyball as well as bowling tournaments over the years. He participated in numerous international Slets and led the Group 7 team to victory bringing home the Championship Flag at the 30th International Slet in Berea, Oh. in 1981. In 2013 he was named our Slovak Catholic Sokol Fraternalist of the Year. For many years, he was a member of the former Sacred Heart Slovak Parish in Wilkes-Barre and more recently, SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Plains Township.

In addition to our organization, Brother Fred supported the work of the Slovak Catholic Federation and was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Alhambra, the North End Slovak Citizens Club, the Polish American Veterans Club, the Henry Citizens Club and the American Legion.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Graham.

Brother Fred is survived by his wife, the former Audrey A. Fedor, daughter of Andrew and Anna Keblish Fedor. Fred and Audrey were married on May 19, 1956 and had shared 62 years of married life. They raised four children, including daughter, Kim Graham, and her fiancé, Dave Domzalski; son, Keith Graham and wife, Mary Beth; daughter, Kathy Graham, and son, Kevin Graham and wife, Denise. He is also survived by grandchildren, Justin, Kyle, Cody, Karina and Kylie; as well as a sister, Shirley.

Family, friends and fellow fraternalists paid their respects to Brother Fred at the Corcoran Funeral Home in Plains Twp. A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated on April 17 at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul in Plains Twp with the Rev. John C. Lambert, pastor, officiating. Interment followed at the convenience of the family. Supreme President Michael J. Horvath headed the delegation of Sokol members who participated in the funeral rites.

May our Brother Fred, who so beautifully mirrored the highest ideals of Slovak Catholic Sokol fraternalism, now rest in peace. He will be sorely missed.



In Memoriam

FEBRUARY 2019

ASSEMBLY/ WREATH	MEMBER	AGE	DATE OF DEATH
Assembly 1	Andrew J. Prelich, Jr., Passaic, NJ	87	February 14, 2019
Assembly 16	Angelo N. Capozoli, Pittsburgh, PA	67	December 29, 2018
Assembly 24	Andrew J. Barlak, Boonton, NJ	76	February 5, 2019
Assembly 25	Leonard Swiantek, Perryopolis, PA	76	January 21, 2019
Assembly 28	Joseph P. Meszaro, East Douglas, MA	29	February 2, 2019
Assembly 59	Joseph J. Tirpak, Wilkes-Barre, PA	90	February 21, 2019
Assembly 59	Eleanor T. Bednar, Wilkes-Barre, PA	92	January 24, 2019
Assembly 59	Barbara A. Podskoch, Wilkes-Barre, PA	88	February 14, 2019
Assembly 69	Elizabeth A. Hudak, Smock, PA	89	November 7, 2018
Assembly 78	Francis V. Kostelnik, MD., Bethlehem, PA	85	September 29, 2018
Assembly 104	Eleanor Murgia, Pittsburgh, PA	90	January 12, 2017
Assembly 108	John M. Lukes, Youngstown, OH	84	January 17, 2019
Assembly 108	Lore M. Pavlina, Youngstown, OH	96	January 23, 2019
Assembly 108	Michael J. Widowfield, Youngstown, OH	66	January 4, 2019
Assembly 108	Edward T. Hodos, Youngstown, OH	82	February 11, 2019
Assembly 113	Helen Gustafson, Kenosha, WI	95	January 26, 2019
Assembly 113	Joseph J. Scuglik, Kenosha, WI	96	January 8, 2019
Assembly 180	Josephine H. Almasy, Canton, OH	86	January 31, 2019
Assembly 188	William Hook, Lansford, PA	89	November 19, 2018
Assembly 227	Julia Anna Sabol, Toronto, CN	93	December 26, 2018
Assembly 261	Vito F. Barrasso, Reading, PA	93	January 31, 2019
Assembly 312	Helen Yanchak, Passaic, NJ	92	February 17, 2019
Wreath 1	Helen Loch, Bridgeport, CT	96	January 5, 2019
Wreath 1	Rachel Galya, Bridgeport, CT	79	December 24, 2018
Wreath 11	Pauline Leggett, Bridgeport, CT	87	October 4, 2018
Wreath 39	Sister George M. Senderak, Bridgeport, CT	94	January 29, 2019
Wreath 85	Jaqueline J. Bell, Mc Kees Rocks, PA	65	January 25, 2019
Wreath 93	Tailer Ceeb Tsheej Yang, Milwaukee, WI	6	January 29, 2019
Wreath 93	Bernice E. Muench, Milwaukee, WI	87	January 24, 2019
Wreath 111	Joseph Firment, Lorain, OH	97	January 16, 2019
Wreath 153	Natalie M. Loya, Parma, OH	92	January 15, 2019
Wreath 155	Vivian E. Marnelli, Reading, PA	91	February 5, 2019

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ASSEMBLY/ WREATH	MEMBER	AGE	DATE OF DEATH
Assembly 9	Philip P. Piskura, Bridgeport, CT	79	March 17, 2019
Assembly 32	Edward A. Janco, Palmerton, PA	77	February 6, 2019
Assembly 36	Ann M. Pruski, Detroit, MI	98	January 11, 2017
Assembly 36	James Wilson, Detroit, MI	85	January 30, 2019
Assembly 36	Joseph Crouse, Detroit, MI	49	February 14, 2019
Assembly 39	David J. Zelenitz, Bellaire, OH	62	May 15, 2019
Assembly 48	Joseph Gazak, Philadelphia, PA	88	January 6, 2015
Assembly 59	Richard A. Hudak, Wilkes-Barre, PA	68	January 10, 2019
Assembly 59	Albert Kutney, Wilkes-Barre, PA	92	February 21, 2019
Assembly 72	Donna M. Kratzer, Catasauqua, PA	64	February 28, 2019
Assembly 79	Agnes Stager, Lilly, PA	90	December 22, 2018
Assembly 113	Lilian Geb, Kenosha, WI	96	February 4, 2019
Assembly 162	Joseph W. Nemeth, Clifton, NJ	68	March 14, 2019
Assembly 167	Stephen Gugleta, Barberton, OH	93	January 13, 2018
Assembly 214	Casper Albert Halada Jr., Rossford, OH	87	February 21, 2017
Assembly 255	Paul Krempasky, Egypt, PA	82	December 28, 2018
Assembly 312	John James Kachmar, Passaic, NJ	86	February 10, 2019
Assembly 312	John A. Makosky, Passaic, NJ	84	February 3, 2019
Assembly 312	Andrew John Simko, Passaic, NJ	93	March 7, 2019

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MINUTES OF THE GROUP 4 ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of Group 4, Chicago Illinois, under the patronage of Bishop Stephan Moyzes, took place on April 7, 2019 at the Ascension Franklin Hospital in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Vice President Bradley Hoeck called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. He then led the opening prayer which was dedicated to all living and deceased Group 4 members specifically mentioning long time members Vince Evica, Rosemary Trocan and our other family and friends who have left this world.

Brother Hoeck welcomed all group officers and delegates to the annual meeting. He acknowledged the presence of Group 4 Honorary Supreme Officer Sister Julie Dobbs and thanked those who travelled a distance.

Group 4 Financial Officer, Sister Lisa Hoeck took roll call of the officers and delegates. A total of 6 officers and 10 delegates were present. Represented at this meeting were Assembly 11 and Wreath 93. President Jennifer Romine and Group Assistant Director Noah Romine were excused due to illness.

Copies of the 2018 Group 4 annual meeting minutes held on March 4, 2018 were distributed to officers and delegates for their review. Following a short discussion and several small edits a motion to accept the minutes was made by Sister Suzanne Zeman, seconded by Sister Caroline Gemoll. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

- Greetings were sent from Gloria and Tony Scuglik of Assembly 113 and Josie Bolek from Wreath 81 expressing their regret that they could not be represented at our annual Group meeting and extending wishes for a productive meeting.

A copy of the financial report was handed out to all for review. As update to new delegates, Sister Hoeck explained how and when assessments are dispersed. Discussion regarding the positive trend of our assessments ensued and it was noted that this is due to increase in membership for Wreath 93 as a direct result of active sales representative in northern Wisconsin. Sister Patty Osterbrink shared the auditor's report and confirmed she had reviewed the reports and finances and indicated all was in order. Sister Dobbs inquired about last year's request for Sister Hoeck to pursue an interest-bearing account. Sister Hoeck explained that she learned that non-profit organiza-

tions cannot move money into an interest-bearing checking or savings account and that the only option would be a CD. Sister Hoeck agreed to look at options for a short-term CD after the expenses with Slet and Convention are realized. Sister Dobbs asked if we have considered investing in the Sokol Secure Fund. It was decided that President Romine and Sister Hoeck will pursue this outside of our meeting and all agreed they should move money to this account at their discretion.

Sister Hoeck reminded the group about the Win-Win Program. She reviewed the process and referred members to our website. Members can submit information regarding a potential member who will then receive a call from an insurance agent. If you are the recommender you are entered to win a \$50 semi-annual drawing, and your Wreath/Assembly gets \$250 if they are the one with the most referrals.

Brother Fred made a motion to accept the financial and auditors reports and Brother Travis Antoniewicz seconded. Motion carried.

A question came up regarding the new style of the monthly newsletter in hard copy. Was this created or designed for improved marketing and how did this impact the cost given our past move to emailed newspaper to save money. President Romine to explore this further.

Sister Tricia Radtke and Sister Hoeck presented the physical fitness report highlighting the various activities that were held for the youth members throughout the year. The schedule of activities is available to drill team members and parents via google drive. Drill practice began with a weekend retreat and will continue until the time of the Slet. Gymnastic and track practice will begin this spring and will culminate in a Group track meet planned for June 4th. Group 4 is planning to send 27 consisting of 9 men and 18 women to the upcoming Slet that will be held July 17-21st in Brockport, New York. The team will leave on the 15th and will see Watkins Glenn on the way to the Slet and Niagara Falls on the way home. New uniforms and slippers will need to be ordered to accommodate the current team. There is potential need for additional t-shirts and sweatshirts for team uniforms. Vice President Hoeck expressed gratitude to Sister Hoeck, Sister Tricia Radtke, and Brother Noah Zeman on their commitment to offering activities for our group throughout

the year and for preparing our members for the upcoming Slet.

Sister Patty Osterbrink made a motion to accept the Physical Directress report as presented. Sister Suzanne Zeman seconded. Motion passed.

Vice President Hoeck accepted the following donations:

- Assembly 11 donation made specific to the Slet fund.
- Wreath 93 donation made specific to the Slet fund.

Brother Hoeck raised the question of participation in upcoming events. In regard to the Annual Bowling Tournament, last year Bill Gemoll and Tim Evica partnered with another doubles pair and took 1st place. Bill and Tim, along with Carolyn Gemoll plan to attend again this year in Pittsburgh, PA. Along with past practice, Sister Hoeck recommended that the group support our bowlers with \$100 stipend/bowler. Sister Dobbs seconded the motion and motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Congratulations to Wreath 93 on the celebration of their 100th anniversary in 2018.

Vice President Hoeck shared the scholarship winners for Group 4. Grade school scholarship winners: Grade School-Annalise Romine; High School-Megan McDonald; College scholarship-Lexi Stecker. It was noted that the deadline has passed for 2019 and will remain March 31st for 2020. All were asked to share and encourage eligible members to apply.

Brother Hoeck brought forward a discussion item regarding offering a stipend for group delegates attending the upcoming convention. Sister Osterbrink made a motion that the group provide a \$100 stipend for each of the group delegates (versus Wreath/Assembly) attending the convention. Sister Kayla Antoniewicz seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all.

Brother Bradley Hoeck raised the discussion of mileage reimbursement, as this remains a standing agenda item for each meeting. He reminded everyone that the reimbursement would be made available per car, not per person. Based on the new IRS standard a motion was made by Sister Caroline Gemoll to suggest reimbursement of 58.0 cents/mile. This was seconded by Brother Travis Antoniewicz.

Fred made a motion that all current

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Introducing our newest members



Whitley Grace Payne, born February 22, 2019, is the daughter of Corey and Alexis Payne of Pittsburgh, Pa. She was enrolled as a member of Wreath 22 in Pittsburgh, Pa.



Jack Joseph Korcak, born March 14, 2018, is the son of Joseph and Christina Ciaramella Korcak of Ramsey, NJ. He was enrolled as a member of Assembly 182 in New York, N.Y.



SophieAline Elisabeth Vidal, born February 3, 2018, is the daughter of Oliver and Katherine Vidal of Youngstown, Oh. She was enrolled as a member of Wreath 54 in Youngstown, Oh.

Sisters of Saints Cyril and Methodius
Villa Sacred Heart
Danville PA

Celebrating
100
Years in Danville
1909-2019

Summer Festival 2019
Saturday **July 13th**
10:30am - 5:00pm
fun • food • games • dinner • baked goods • flea market
Saturday Mass for Sunday • 5:00pm Basilica

2019 SLOVAK CATHOLIC SOKOL FRATERNALIST OF THE YEAR

nomination forms are available. Contact Daniel F. Tanzone at tel. 800 886-7656. A recent photo of the nominee should be included along with the completed nomination form. Deadline for receipt of the completed nomination form at the home office is Monday, July 8, 2019.

ANNOUNCING NEW SOKOL APPAREL



HOODIES, T-SHIRTS AND GOLF SHIRTS are now available on line. Order yours today by simply going to our website slovakcatholicsokol.org and selecting the link

"New Sokol Wear".

Clothing items will be shipped directly to your door!

MINUTES OF GROUP 4 ANNUAL MEETING

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Group officers and their salaries remain the same given no one has expressed interest in these positions. Sister Teresa Buc seconded the motion- all were in favor. After hearing the salaries read, Sister Radtke asked to reopen this discussion regarding the Assistant Directress salary. She made a motion to increase the Assistant Directress salary to match that of the Group Directress. Sister Osterbrink seconded this motion and all were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Sister Dobbs provided the update for SKS2020 Committee and referred everyone to the Slovak Catholic Sokol website under the convention tab to review all of the minutes of this committee and the proposed bylaws.

A discussion was held regarding the 2020 Annual Group 4 meeting, both location and date. The plan is to continue to hold this meeting in March and at a location to be investigated for convenience of our members. President Romine will investigate a date/location and share with the wreaths/assemblies.

Vice President Hoeck then called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sister Nancy Hoeck made a motion to adjourn and Sister Tricia Radtke seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:20 with a closing prayer by Sister Nancy Hoeck.

Faternally yours,
Zdar Boh!

Julie Ann Dobbs

Group 4 Recording Secretary



AS PART OF OUR OUTREACH PROGRAM, HEARTS FOR THE HOMELESS HAS BEEN SELECTED AS OUR CHARITY FOR THE 2019 SLET. Hearts for the Homeless operates a center in Brockport, New York offering food and clothing to the homeless. We will be accepting monetary donations during the Slet and will present the donation to the organization in support of their mission of feeding and clothing "the least of these". Groups, wreaths, assemblies and individuals can also donate. **Please make checks out to Hearts for the Homeless and mail to 1853 Wingate Road, Youngstown, Ohio 44514. C/O Nancy Kropolinsky.**

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE SUPREME SECRETARY AS OF 03/31/19

ASSETS	2019	STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES	2019
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 174,735	INCOME	
Investments - Bonds & Bills	71,382,631		
Investments - Stocks	9,678,611	Investment Income	\$ 748,448
Capital Reserve	2,094,844	Amortization of IMR	11,829
Stock Adj. to Book Value	962,625	Dividends on Stocks	68,419
First Mortgage Loans	640,773	Interest on Mortgages	9,897
Loans on Certificates	210,832	Interest on Certificate Loans	3,796
Accrued Interest Receivable	803,627	Sale of Cookbooks	248
Sokol Building/Land	278,244	Rent Received - Sokol Building	27,810
Accounts Receivable	21,100	Life Premium Income	745,955
Due From Groups	-	Annuity Income	246,770
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 86,248,022	Scholarship Income	-
		Miscellaneous Income	2,945
		Sale of Securities/Amortization	218,244
		TOTAL INCOME	\$2,084,361
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	2019	EXPENSES	2019
Life Reserves	\$ 67,320,631	Death Benefit Claims Paid	\$ 350,982
Asset Valuation Reserve	1,456,370	Interest Expense	29,639
Interest Maintenance Reserve	174,188	Fraternal Expenses	71,830
Reserve for Supplemental Contracts	2,478,978	General Expenses	377,375
Reserve Emp. Retirement Plan	4,809,676	Employee Retirement Expenses	89,327
Reserve for Convention	222,500	Commissions	106,203
Claims Payable	505,288	Annuity Benefits	838,159
Conversion - Canadian Currency	3,801	Taxes & Fees	43,078
Accounts Payable	85,964	Reserve Increase	82,000
Sokol Secure Fund	1,065,340	Cash Surrenders	80,024
Mary Jane Rich Scholarship Fund	85,000	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 2,068,617
Emil Slavik Scholarship Fund	100,000	TOTAL INCOME (LOSS)	\$ 15,744
Dr's Lesko Medical Scholarship Fund	20,000		
Yencha Memorial Scholarship	18,500		
Krista L Glugosh Memorial Scholarship Fund	24,000		
Dividend Payable	50,000		
Advance Premiums	70,113		
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 78,490,349		
Undistributed Funds - Sokol	\$ 7,757,673		
TOTAL LIABILITIES & SURPLUS	\$ 86,248,022		

ZDAR BOH!

Scott T. Pogorelec, FIC
Supreme Secretary
Slovak Catholic Sokol

SLOVAK DAY CELEBRATION IN MERRILLVILLE, IN

Come and Celebrate the 46th Annual Slovak Day Celebration on Sunday, July 14, 2019 starting with a Catholic mass at Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine, Merrillville, IN at 10:00 a.m. Mass will be followed by ethnic food, drink, a cash raffle and dancing. This year we are excited to welcome back The John Pruzin's Tamburitzan Dancers back to showcase some of the traditional dances! Cash raffle tickets are available. Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine is located at 5755 Pennsylvania St (Broadway) Merrillville. For more information visit www.facebook.com/SlovakDayCelebration



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com/SlovakDayCelebration contact Don and Mary Weber at 219-252-2353.

Our 46 year history started in 1973 at the Seven Dolores Shrine in Valparaiso where the Slovak Franciscan Fathers called home.

Father Joseph Viater, (along with Betty and Carl Yurechko who chaired it for 39 years) started a group to get Slovak people together for a day of Slovak culture.

Volunteer committees were from the various Slovak Churches, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary from Indiana Harbor, Sacred Heart from East Chicago, Holy Trinity from Gary, Immaculate Conception and St. John the Baptist both from Whiting.

For many years Bishop Andrew G.

Grutka, Bishop of the Gary Diocese was the main celebrant for the Slovak mass. Over the years, Slovak Dancers from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Chicago, Illinois and Sterling Michigan entertained us with ethnic dances.

Soon the place was too small for the crowd so we moved to Merrillville, where we still hold our Annual Slovak Day at the Salvatorian Fathers Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine. This year during Slovak Day the Salvatorian Fathers will be showing the PANORAMA on Christianity to the Slavic Nations. Over the years many bishops came to con-celebrate, such as Archbishop Sokol from Slovakia, our own local bishops Bishop Andrew G. Grutka and Bishop Dale J. Melczek as well as Bishop Joseph Adamec of Pennsylvania and our own Slovak priests.

In Memoriam

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ASSEMBLY/ WREATH	MEMBER	AGE	DATE OF DEATH
Wreath 14	Thomas Hiravi, Johnstown, NY	85	February 18, 2019
Wreath 15	Betty K. Casey, Perryopolis, PA	84	October 27, 2010
Wreath 15	Steve Holva, Perryopolis, PA	76	March 15, 2019
Wreath 93	Vincent F. Evica, Milwaukee, WI	89	January 1, 2019
Wreath 111	Christine Nedelman, Lorain, OH	92	February 6, 2019
Wreath 153	Alfred W. Golias, Parma, OH	93	February 24, 2019
Wreath 157	John L. Koomar, Nesquehoning, PA	103	March 9, 2019

APRIL 2019

ASSEMBLY/ WREATH	MEMBER	AGE	DATE OF DEATH
Assembly 16	John Richard Gretz, Pittsburgh, PA	83	March 26, 2019
Assembly 36	Most Rev. Joseph V. Adamec, Detroit, MI	83	March 20, 2019
Assembly 36	Josephine Collieran, Detroit, MI	86	April 5, 2019
Assembly 54	Anthony J. Furka, Lyndora, PA	90	March 30, 2019
Assembly 59	Julia M. Schmader, Wilkes-Barre, PA	88	March 31, 2019
Assembly 71	Margaret Balberchak, Edwardsville, PA	98	April 3, 2019
Assembly 71	Joan Konnick Janoski, Edwardsville, PA	59	April 21, 2019
Assembly 74	Anna Voytko, Scalp Level, PA	89	April 3, 2019
Assembly 78	Theresa Degnan- Templeto, Bethlehem, PA	80	January 29, 2019
Assembly 136	Helen T. Kubasek, Nanticoke, PA	90	March 21, 2019
Assembly 162	Richard C. Montag, Clifton, NJ	69	April 11, 2019
Assembly 176	Henry E. Sobona, New Brighton, PA	88	April 5, 2019
Assembly 261	Daniel J. Sharp, Reading, PA	73	April 5, 2019
Assembly 312	John Barry Mihlik, Passaic, NJ	53	March 22, 2019
Wreath 2	Helen Pisarczyk, Passaic, NJ	71	March 10, 2019
Wreath 11	Marian Myers, Johnstown, NY	92	April 17, 2019
Wreath 14	Pauline Birus, Johnstown, PA	82	March 12, 2019
Wreath 29	Marie A. Rehak, Farrell, PA	84	March 24, 2019
Wreath 34	George M. Tilisky, Cleveland, OH	80	March 18, 2019
Wreath 43	Dorothy Adzema, Akron, OH	93	April 13, 2019
Wreath 54	Agnes M. Phillips, Youngstown, OH	88	March 23, 2019
Wreath 85	Betty J. Hopkins, Mc Kees Rocks, PA	81	February 21, 2019
Wreath 85	Paula M. Shaposka, Mc Kees Rocks, PA	68	December 6, 2018
Wreath 86	Jean M. Michaud, Torrington, CT	85	April 2, 2019
Wreath 86	Helen A. Gendreau, Torrington, CT	84	March 25, 2019
Wreath 93	Chong Xiong, Milwaukee, WI	63	February 9, 2019
Wreath 93	Anton J. Statz, Milwaukee, WI	91	March 19, 2019
Wreath 93	Robert J. Farrell, Milwaukee, WI	90	March 14, 2019
Wreath 93	Lydia I. Freed, Milwaukee, WI	92	March 25, 2019
Wreath 103	Anna Gerbec, Barberton, OH	85	February 26, 2019

YOUR BENEFICIARIES

When was the last time you looked at your designated beneficiaries on your valuable Sokol insurance policy? How important is it? Just think about how much your life has changed. Have you married, divorced, had children, maybe you lost a loved one? This is an item you should consider annually. If you do need to make changes to any of your policies, contact the Home Office at 800-886-7656.

ANNOUNCING THE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND!!!

Have you found yourself looking for a way to memorialize a lost loved one or fellow Group/Wreath/Assembly member? Why not make a donation in their honor to the newly developed Memorial Scholarship fund? Your donation will assure that an annual scholarship be given out to a college age student who best exemplifies the meaning of fraternalism and volunteerism. Here's how it works:

Send a check or money order to the Memorial Scholarship Fund clearly indicating the name to be memorialized. You can find a donation form on line at <http://slovakcatholicsokol.org/members/memorialfrmframe.htm> or simply send your donation to: **Dennis J. Zifcak, SCS Museum Treasurer, 33 Pinecrest Rd., Uxbridge, MA 01569**

Your bequest will be recognized in the Falcon as well as permanently added to the Memorial Scholarship Donation Log which will be kept at the Sokol Museum.

Depending on the amount of funds collected, we will be able to award at least two \$1,000 scholarships annually. The hope is that the donated funds will begin a self-perpetuating interest bearing scholarship account.

Have you recently lost a loved one? You might consider earmarking donations to this fund in their memory. Keep the spirit of your fellow Sokol alive by investing in a way that their fraternal dedication will not be forgotten.

Local SOKOL Golf Tournament



SLOVAK CATHOLIC
Assembly 261 Wreath 155
SOKOL
Reading, PA

◆ **Saturday, June 29th, 2019**

◆ **1 p.m. Shotgun Start**

◆ **The Manor Golf Club**

• Food • Drinks • Prizes • Cash Prizes •
All Included!

Scramble Format with "3" Flights!

• \$ 70.00 per golfer •
Sign your foursome up now!

All entries must be received by June 16th

Hole Sponsors (\$40 per hole) and volunteers needed!

Questions or Payment:

• Call the Club at (610) 375-4500 •

• Registration and Payments can also be mailed or submitted to your bartender at the Sokol Club •

Foursome SignUp Sheet (threesome and pairs also welcome)

Name	Email or Phone
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____

Please mail completed foursome sign up sheet, along with payment (\$70/golfer) to:

The Reading Sokol
Attn: Paul Keturakis
411 Crestmont Street
Reading, PA 19611

Make Checks Payable to:
Slovak Catholic Sokol

VZNIKNE CENTRUM SLOVENSKEHO ZAHRANIČIA

Centrum slovenského zahraničia v Bratislave by malo vzniknúť koncom roka 2020. Svetové združenia Slovákov v zahraničí (SZSZ) jeho otvorenie plánovalo pôvodne už na jeseň tohto roku, zatiaľ však čakajú na schválenie financií.

„Zdržali nás úradné formality a pamiatková ochrana objektu, ale aj zabezpečenie financovania,“ uviedol predseda SZSZ Vladimír Skalský. Podľa neho štát má rozhodnúť o podpore 1,5 až dvoch miliónov eur.

Centrum ponúkne komplexnú prezentáciu života Slovákov v zahraničí a súčasne to bude záchytný bod pre nich v hlavnom meste.

Takisto má pomôcť, aby si Slováci na Slovensku uvedomovali, že v zahraničí žije okolo jeden a pol milióna krajanov. Centrum bude mať multifunkčnú sálu, galériu, ako aj krajskú reštauráciu.

Sídlom centra bude chátrajúca budova v centre hlavného mesta na Laurinskej 19. Živé umenie Slovákov žijúcich v zahraničí od folklóru cez klasickú a populárnu hudbu, divadlo, až po literatúru bude centrum prezentovať v multifunkčnej sále.

Pre umenie akademických maliarov a sochárov, talentovaných autodidaktov, ako aj naivné umenie, vrátane toho slávneho z Kovačice a Padiny v Srbsku či umeleckú fotografiu určia galerijný priestor.

Chýbať nebude ani malá expozícia histórie Slovákov žijúcich v zahraničí a tiež krajská reštaurácia, ktorá ukáže ďalšiu časť kultúrneho bohatstva krajanov, gastronómiu a súčasne pomôže financovaniu prevádzky centra.

PREDĽILI PRENÁJOM POZEMKU PRED AMBASÁDOU USA V BRATISLAVE

Poslanci bratislavského zastupiteľstva jednomyselne schválili prenájom pozemkov v tesnej blízkosti budovy veľvyslanectva Spojených štátov amerických ktoré sú označované ako bezpečnostná zóna. Prenájom je na šesť rokov, a ročné nájomné je 481 070 eur.

Veľvyslanectvo bude oprávnené uplatniť si trojročnú opciu na obnovenie nájomnej zmluvy, avšak iba pod podmienkou, že minimálne dva mesiace pred skončením nájmu preukáže právoplatné stavebné povolenie na výstavbu novej budovy zastupiteľstva Spojených štátov amerických v Slovenskej republike.

Mesto rokuje s americkou ambasádou o novom sídle veľvyslanectva.

Ambasáda USA má mestské pozemky na Hviezdoslavovom námestí a Paulínyho ulici prenajaté od roku 2005. Veľvyslanectvo ešte v roku 2002 prijalo bezpečnostné opatrenia v podobne oploštenia budovy v súvislosti s teroristickým útokmi v New Yorku z 11. septembra 2001.

Od roku 2016 sa neustále diskutuje o odstránení oploštenia amerického veľvyslanectva v historickom centra mesta.

Existencia bezpečnostnej zóny pred americkou ambasádou sa opiera o Zmluvu o bezpečnostnej zóne medzi Spojenými štátmi americkými a Mestskou časťou Bratislava – Staré Mesto, o stanovisko Ministerstva zahraničných vecí a európskych záležitostí SR a Viedenský dohovor o diplomatických stykoch.

Slovenská republika, ktorá je zmluvnou stranou dohovoru, je ako prijímací štát povinná uľahčiť výkon funkcií diplomatickej misie a nesie v tomto zmysle aj medzinárodnoprávnú zodpovednosť.

DO OBEHU DALI NOVÉ EUROBANKOVKY



Vpravo je nová 100 a 200 eurobankovka a vľavo stará 100 a 200 eurobankovka. - (zdroj: TASR)

28. mája dali do obehu nové eurobankovky zo série Európa v hodnote sto a dvesto eur, ktoré obsahujú inovatívne ochranné prvky.

Stoeurová a dvestoeurová bankovka prvej série budú aj naďalej obiehať spolu s novými bankovkami, avšak postupne sa budú z obehu sťahovať. Dátum ukončenia platnosti bankoviek prvej série bude oznámený v dostatočnom predstihu. Aj po tomto dátume si však tieto bankovky zachovávajú svoju hodnotu a budú sa dať vymeniť v národných centrálnych bankách krajín eurozóny bez časového obmedzenia.

Na nových bankovkách v hornej časti striebristého prúžka sa v satelitnom holograme zobrazujú drobné znaky €, ktoré sa pohybujú okolo čísla nominálnej hodnoty. Pod priamym svetlom sú tieto znaky zreteľnejšie. Striebristý prúžok podľa Kmeťa zobrazuje aj portrét Európy, architektonický motív a veľký znak €.

Na nových bankovkách 100 eur a 200 eur sa nachádza aj zdokonalené smaragdové číslo. Smaragdové číslo je súčasťou všetkých ostatných bankoviek série Európa, no v tejto zdokonalenej verzii sa vo vnútri čísla zobrazujú aj znaky €.

Séria Európa je druhá séria eurových bankoviek, ktorá sa postupne uvádza do obehu. Prvá bankovka zo série Európa, päťeurovka, bola do obehu uvedená 2. mája 2013 v Bratislave.

Novú desaťeurovú bankovku zaviedli do obehu prostredníctvom bánk a bankomatov v celej eurozóne 23. septembra 2014. Nasledovala bankovka v hodnote 20 eur 25. novembra 2015. Novú päťdesiateurovku zaviedli do obehu 4. apríla 2017. Nové bankovky v hodnote 100 eur a 200 eur majú dátum vydania 28. mája 2019.

Výmena bankoviek prvej série v hodnote päť, desať a aj dvadsať eur je už podľa prakticky završená.

Čo sa týka 50-eurovej bankovky prvej série, tá je vymenená na 73 percent. Keďže bankovky v hodnote sto a dvesto eur sa používajú v obehu pomenej, tak aj tá výmena z prvej série na sériu Európa bude zrejme dlhšia. Približne by malo ísť o zhruba dva tri roky.

Vydaním nových bankoviek je séria Európa kompletná. Súčasnú eurobankovku v hodnote 500 eur, ktoré sú v obehu od januára 2002, plánuje Európska centrálna banka postupne stiahnuť. Dôvodom sú obavy niektorých inštitúcií, že by táto bankovka mohla uľahčovať nezákonnú činnosť.

NA PAMÄTNÍK ZAVRAŽDENÝCH ŽURNALISTOV VO WASHINGTONĚ PRIDALI AJ MENO JÁNA KUCIAKA

Mená 22 novinárov zabitých v roku 2018 pridali v pondelok 3. júna na pamätník žurnalistov



vo Washingtone, D.C. Je medzi nimi aj meno Slováka Jána Kuciaka. Na ceremónii zároveň ochrancovia práv médií varovali pred

silnejúcim ohrožovaním slobody tlače po celom svete.

Dvojposchodový presklený pamätník žurnalistov sa nachádza v múzeu nazvanom Newseum, ktoré stojí na 555 Penn-

sylvania Avenue. Ročne ho navštívi vyše 815-tisíc ľudí.

Newseum na svojej webovej stránke informovalo, že vzdáva poctu Jánovi Kuciakovi, novinárovi zo Slovenska z portálu Aktuality.sk, ktorého zavraždili vo februári 2018 doma vo Veľkej Mači a spolu s ním aj jeho snúbenicu Martinu Kušnírovú.

Múzeum pripomenulo, ktorým témam sa J. Kuciak vo svojich článkoch venoval vrátane podvodov Mariána Kočnera, ktorý je momentálne vo väzení.

Newseum tiež uviedlo, že ten na jeseň v roku 2017 sa J. Kuciakovi cez telefón vyhrážal, že sa bude venovať bližšie jeho rodine a momentálne je obvinený z objednávky novinárskej vraždy.

BAZALKA MÁ LIEČIVÉ ÚČINKY

Bazalka je jednou z najznámejších bylín, ktorá sa hojne používa v zdravej stredomorskej kuchyni. Často sa podávame len v kombinácii s paradajkami, v skutočnosti sa však hodí takmer do každého receptu. Bazalka v sebe skrýva okrem iného éterické oleje, ktoré majú veľmi silný protizápalový, antibakteriálny a dokonca aj analgetický a protirakovinový účinok. Protizápalový účinok by mal byť dokonca porovnateľný s účinkom konvenčných protizápalových liekov, ktoré sa používajú pri chronických zápalových ochoreniach ako je artritída.

Bazalka obsahuje aj cineol, ktorý má

antibakteriálne vlastnosti, čiže má tiež upokojujúci účinok na ochorenia dýchacích ciest.

Ďalšia látka, ktorá v súvislosti s bazalkou stojí za zmienku, je estragol. Často čítame, že škodí zdraviu. Pre účely štúdie sa však čistý estragol získaval z rastlín a bol testovaný na pokusných zvieratách. Také veľké dávky nám však pri porcii tri-štyri polievkové lyžice nasekaných bazalkových lístkov denne, skutočne nehrozia. Napokon, v bazalke sú mnohé ďalšie látky, ktoré môžu okrem iného kompenzovať aj škodlivé účink

KRÁTKÉ SPRÁVY ZO SLOVENSKA



Miera nezamestnanosti na Slovensku v apríli dosiahla 4,9 percenta, čo je najnižšia úroveň v histórii krajiny. Oznámili to premiér Peter Pellegrini a minister práce Ján Richter. Medzimesačne sa znížila o 0,13%, medziročne klesla o 0,52%. Na okresnej úrovni v apríli 2019 v 66 okresoch klesla medzimesačne miera evidovanej nezamestnanosti, v 11 okresoch miera nezamestnanosti vzrástla a v 2 okresoch sa nezmenila. V tretine okresov Slovenskej republiky je nezamestnanosť nižšia ako dve percentá, oznámil premiér.

Na prvom mieste rebríčka najdôležitejších európskych destinácií, ktoré by turisti mali tohto roku navštíviť, sa umiestnili Vysoké Tatry. Výber zostavil portál Lonely Planet. Podieľali sa na ňom viacerí cestovateľskí experti, ktorí každé miesto osobne navštívili a preskúmali. Očarila ich krásna príroda, divoká zber žijúca v lesoch, krása tatranských vodopádov a pohostinnosť v reštauračných zariadeniach.

Slovenský automobilový priemysel má za sebou náročný úvod roka. Najprv najväčšia automobilka Volkswagen Slovakia oznámila plán na zníženie počtu výrobných zmien a s tým súvisiace škrtnutie takmer troch tisíc pracovných miest. Neskôr sa pridala aj žilinská Kia Motors Slovakia, ktorá z dôvodu prepadu dopytu po dieselových motoroch prepustila k februáru 27 pracovníkov. Nasledoval výrobca ložísk a jeden z najväčších súkromných zamestnávateľov v krajine Schaeffler Slovensko. K februáru prepustil 25 zamestnancov vo svojom závode v Skalici. Dôvodom je pokles objednávok od zákazníkov.

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