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JUNE 14

Message from our Supreme President

Michael J. Horvath

First, a very big Thank You, Veľké D'akujem, to all of the first responders who are working every day to help keep some normalcy to our lives by doing what they do to serve and protect us during these past months and days to come as they defend us from the Covid-19 virus pandemic. Your selfless and humble dedication is not going un-



noticed or unappreciated. Thank you for the lives you mend and save and for the work we do not know you do or how you do it.

Welcome to the beginning of summer 2020! It is not the beginning of a summer we are normally used too and the summer of 2020 will not be like the summers of the past. Albeit with the days getting longer, the sun shining brighter and the temperature rising, our mind and body tell us we should be outside, attending church, First Communions, graduations, weddings, taking trips we have planned, preparing for our vacations and other social events. Instead we have to adjust our lives to deal with the Covid-19 virus pandemic by cancelling, delaying, postponing these events to do what we can to mitigate the chance of becoming infected or infect others. This is not to say, we cannot socialize, it means we have to be smart about how we do socialize to reduce the risk of transmitting the virus. We have seen how to do social distancing activities with the birthday, graduation and wedding parades and other unique gatherings that bring joy and happiness on everyone's faces. So as the summer of 2020 continues, be smart, be safe, and do what is right to protect yourself and others, but most of all have as much fun in the sun as you possibly can.

Your Society continues to operate under the constraints that currently exist in the business world. On the business side the Society is seeing new business come in daily and all sides of the business is being processed on time thanks to our Supreme Secretary, Scott T. Pogorelec, F.I.C., and the Home Office em-

ployees. Your excellent work shows your dedication to serving the Society and its members. You make all of us proud of what you do for us every day.

On the fraternal side, it was a big disappointment to have to cancel the 74th International Bowling Tournament two weeks ago. The Society acted on the best interests of all who would have attended but the closing of enclosed places of gatherings helped make decision easier. If there is a way to make up the tournament we certainly will think of a way.

The 65th International Golf Tournament, scheduled to be held at Seven Oaks and Black Hawk golf courses in Beaver Falls, PA on August 14-16, 2020 is still a go at this time. Since golf courses have reopened under new safety protocols the golf courses will guide us through how the tournament can be held for all participants' enjoyment and safety.

The Supreme Physical Fitness Board held Zoom meetings to discuss how to hold the Clinic, "Kruz", this summer. They will be in communication with the Group Directors and Directresses to inform them on their Clinic plans.

The Scholarship Committee met via a Zoom conference call on Saturday, May 19, 2020 to select the Slovak Catholic Sokol and the other specific named scholarship recipients. Congratulations to all who received a scholarship this year. May your education goals be reached with the financial aid these Slovak Catholic Sokol scholarships provide you.

The Slovak Catholic Sokol is looking for its 2020 Fraternalist of the Year, FOTY. I encourage all Groups, Assemblies, Wreaths, and Yes members, to submit the name of a member who meets the Fraternalist of the Year criteria via an application to the Home Office. Let us know who is a potential SCS FOTY.

I extend Happy Father's Day greetings to all our members who are blessed to have this title. I hope you are treated royally during the perfect weather day. No matter what you are doing on this Father's Day let it be the best. Let us also remember the Fathers who are no longer with us, may our memories of them

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From the desk of the Supreme Secretary

SEEING THE LIGHT

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



"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."
John 1:5

Greetings from the Home Office in Passaic, NJ! Hopefully, all our members are staying safe and healthy during this time. I know that it is starting to feel a little like Groundhog Day, but we are seeing some light at the end of this long tunnel. All our states have begun the process of "reopening" and it remains important that we do so carefully.



Here at the Home Office, while our Business Continuity Plan is still in effect, our staff has done a tremendous job in servicing our members and agents. While it may have took us an extra day to get back to you, we hope you have been pleased with the service provided by the Slovak Catholic Sokol. I am very proud of our Home Office Staff and their ability to keep this train moving!

This time of year gives us the opportunity to show our appreciation to those that have sacrificed so much for our freedom. With our current climate, it makes you realize that we should not take that freedom for granted. Monday, May 25th was a special day as we celebrated Memorial Day. It is a day set aside to recognize those men and women that have paid the ultimate sacrifice for our country. As members of the Slovak Catholic Sokol, we appreciate those that have sacrificed so much, and I urge all our members to pay your respects to our current soldiers and veterans alike. A simple "thank you" can go a long way.

Another important day that we will celebrate in June is Flag Day. June 14th is a day that we take seriously here at the Slovak Catholic Sokol. We not only celebrate it annually on this day, but we try to celebrate it in our daily lives. Here

is what Flag Day means to Chief Master Sgt. Scott Hubbartt, Retired:

"June 14th set aside to honor another veteran - a faithful comrade who has accompanied each of us - every service member before us, to battlefields and stations in virtually every corner of the globe. For more than two centuries this veteran has always been there with us - always faithful and this vet is always ready for a parade. Our friend was there out at the cemetery last Monday when we were too busy. Not to fret, he was present and accounted for standing tall on Armed Forces Day as well. In fact our friend is always there, and in fact, often overlooked and taken for granted.

Of course, I am speaking of Old Glory, our flag. Always faithful and decked out in full glorious parade dress uniform! Our friend has guided and comforted countless numbers of our comrades in arms through the best and the worst of times. No doubt each of us can recall an example of our friend being present which might evoke strong emotions in each of us - perhaps in a parade, at a funeral for a loved one, on the battlefield, on the tail of a plane, or over an embassy in a foreign land. Our friend is always there and loves to be on parade! So, I ask you, on June 14, on Flag Day, hoist Old Glory up, salute, and give our good friend the respect and recognition he deserves."

Those are powerful words that mean so much more during these times we are living. I urge all our members to honor our symbol and honor our men and women who have paid the ultimate sacrifice.

I would like to wish all our Sokol Dads a Happy Father's Day, which we will be celebrating on June 21st, especially my Dad, our former Supreme Secretary!

Until next time, I hope all our members are staying safe, healthy, and positive! We can see the light and we will get through this together! Zdar Boh!

HOLE SPONSORSHIP AT OUR 2020 SLOVAK CATHOLIC SOKOL GOLF TOURNAMENT

**Hole Sponsorship Opportunity
Sign Dimensions 24" X 18"
Cost \$50.00**

It is a great way to promote your Fraternal Spirit, Group, Assembly/Wreath, business, or family to over 125 golfers for the weekend of August 14th through the 16th, 2020.

The 2020 Golf Tournament will be held at Seven Oaks Country Club and Black Hawk Golf Course in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

Send the information that you want us to print on your poster via email or regular mail.

Please send a check for \$50.00 made payable to: Slovak Catholic Sokol Sports Account.

DEADLINE: JULY 24, 2020

Email:

jmatlon@slovakcatholicssokol.org

Mailing Address: James Matlon, 6 Academy Drive East, Whippany, NJ 07981

THE RECIPIENTS OF OUR 2020 SLOVAK CATHOLIC SOKOL COLLEGE, HIGH SCHOOL AND GRADE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE JULY ISSUE OF THE SLOVAK CATHOLIC FALCON.



SLOVAK CATHOLIC FALCON PUBLICATION DATES

The next issue of the Slovak Catholic Falcon will be that of **JULY 1, 2020**. **DEADLINE** for all photos and information for this issue will be **JUNE 22, 2020**.

FLAG DAY – JUNE 14

In the United States, Flag Day is celebrated on June 14. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States on



Poster commemorating the 140th Flag Day on June 14, 1917

June 14, 1777 by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The United States Army also celebrates the U.S. Army birthday on this date; Congress adopted “the American continental army” after reaching a consensus position in the Committee of the Whole on June 14, 1775.

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day; on August 3, 1949, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress. On June 14, 1937, Pennsylvania became the first U.S. state to celebrate Flag Day as a state holiday, beginning in the town of Rennerdale.

New York Statutes designate the second Sunday in June as Flag Day, a state holiday.

Perhaps the oldest continuing Flag Day parade is in Fairfield, Washington. Beginning in 1909 or 1910, Fairfield has held a parade every year since, with the possible exception of 1918, and celebrated the “Centennial” parade in 2010, along with some other commemorative events. Appleton, Wisconsin, claims to be the oldest National Flag Day parade in the nation, held annually since 1950.

Quincy, Massachusetts, has had an annual Flag Day parade since 1952 and claims it “is the longest-running parade of its kind” in the U.S. The largest Flag Day parade had been held annually in Troy, New York until 2017, which based its parade on the Quincy parade and typically draws 50,000 spectators. In addition, the Three Oaks, Michigan, Flag Day Parade is held annually on the weekend of Flag Day and is a three-day event and they claim to have the largest flag day parade in the nation as well as the oldest. In Washington, D.C., Flag Day is celebrated heavily through the 7th and 8th Wards of the city. It is said that Clyde Thompson is the “Godfather of Flag Day”. It is tradition in these wards to slow smoke various meats and vegetables. – *Wikipedia*

Message from our Supreme President

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bring pleasant thoughts and smiles to our faces.

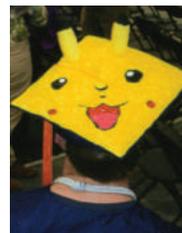
For all who have not looked at the new CSO rates, now is the time to do so. The rates offer existing and new to be members an easier way to increase your life insurance coverage or obtain new insurance. Also, the Slovak Catholic Sokol annuity rates are some of the best being offered at this time. Take a moment and call the Home office or our Director of Sales for information and advice.

We are living in unusual times, no one knows the future, so we must not give up or stop living, we all have to do our best to help and protect each other in a civil and humanitarian way until our lives come back in the post Covid-19 normal.

With God’s Blessings to All!
Zdar Boh!

CASIMIR BRUNO KROMKOWSKI AWARDED CUM LAUDE DEGREE

Casimir Bruno Kromkowski was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Design Engineering Technology from Trine University in Angola, IN. The undergraduate degree was awarded “Cum Laude”.



Always a fan of Pikachu from Pokemon, he decided to decorate his mortar board like the famed character. Casimir is our Sokol of Wreath 14 in Johnstown, PA. He is

the son of Christopher and Marianne Kromkowski of Rochester, IN. Our congratulations and fraternal best wishes go out to Casimir at this time. Happy future and Zdar Boh!

SLOVAK CATHOLIC FEDERATION 2021 “DOBRY PASTIER” GOOD SHEPHERD

The Slovak Catholic Federation is accepting articles for its 2021 edition of the “Dobry Pastier” Good Shepherd.

The Good Shepherd is a collection of literary articles submitted by contributing authors on all things Slovak, Catholic, faith, cultural and heritage, the arts, and personal essays or other topics the writer wishes to share with the readers. The Good Shepherd also serves as the only source for contact information for the Church in Slovakia, and those Slovak clergy and religious in the United States, as well as Religious congregations and places of worship. The articles come from authors in the United States, Slovakia and the Slovak Diaspora from around the world.

Anyone wishing to submit an article for publication can submit their articles to Sister Barbara Sable, SSCM, Villa Sacred Heart, Danville, PA 17821 or barbarasable@hotmail.com. The Deadline for submitting an article is December 31, 2020. The articles submitted need to be double spaced typed.



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going on in our organization

NOTES OF SLOVAKIA - ONLINE RADIO SHOW

Preserving Slovak Heritage through music, language, and culture – *Notes of Slovakia.com* or *247polkaheaven.com* every Saturday at 5:00 p.m., Sunday at 3:00 p.m., Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. and Thursday at 7:00 a.m. – Slovak polka music, folklore music and pop music. Learn the Slovak language and about traveling in Slovakia and much more. Every show is in both English and Slovak. New show every two weeks – learn Slovak language, Slovak spotlight, musicians, Slovak immigrants, food, Slovakia: past and present, Slovak wedding traditions and much more.

SOKOLS FROM ASSEMBLY 48, WREATH 13 VOLUNTEER AT "GIFT OF LIFE"



Volunteers Sokols and Sokolky (l-r): Lawrence Leso, Anne Leso, Johanna Leso and Robert Leso.

Members of Assembly 48 and Wreath 13 for the second consecutive year participated along with members of the Philadelphia Fraternal Alliance in the "Home Cook Heroes" program at the Gift Of Life family house in Philadelphia, PA. Our group prepared a delicious meal of lemon chicken, au gratin potatoes and roasted veggies, along with a healthy green salad, followed, of course, by dessert of pound cake, brownies and cookies.

The Gift Of Life Family House hosts transplant patients, their families, living donors and caregivers to stay at this first class facility. Lifeline programs are also offered. Guests may stay before transplants, during time of surgery as well as follow up care after transplants. It is very rewarding for volunteers to see how grateful patients and families are to enjoy a home cooked meal.

In addition to this program, in the fall, we also participated in "Caring for Friends". This is a program for homebound seniors and others in need. We assembled over 300 breakfast/snack bags. The bags included a package of oatmeal, juice box, fruit cups, crackers and other assorted snacks. Once again recipients were very happy to receive these treats.

We anticipate future participation in these and additional volunteer acts as part of our Slovak fraternal activities.

Zdar Boh!

Johanna Leso

Wreath 13, Philadelphia, PA

LODGE JOTTINGS

ASSEMBLY 163, DONORA, PA

The semi-annual meeting of Assembly 163 will be held on Sunday, June 28 at Dorothy's Place, Donora, PA at 1:00 p.m.. Please contact Terri Gardner at 724-263-7289 if you plan to attend.

In the event that it will be still lock down over Covid-19, there will be a telecommunication meeting. If you have questions, contact Theresa Gardner on her cell phone at 724-929-8675. – **Theresa Gardner**, Financial Secretary

Thoughts from our Supreme Chaplain,
Rev. Andrew S. Hvozdovic

A PRAYER AMID THE PANDEMIC



*Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns
and villages*

"curing every disease and illness."

At your command, the sick were made well.

Come to our aid now,

*in the midst of the global spread
of the coronavirus,*

that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with virus.

*May they regain their strength
and health through quality medical care.*

Heal us from our fear,

*which prevents nations from working together
and neighbors from helping one another.*

Heal us from our pride,

*which can make us claim invulnerability
to a disease that knows no borders.*

Jesus Christ, healer of all,

stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus.

May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died.

As they worry and grieve,

defend them from illness and despair.

May they know your peace.

*Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers
and all medical professionals*

*who seek to heal and help those affected
and who put themselves at risk in the process.*

May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations.

*Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern
for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve.*

*Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions
that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks.*

*May they know your peace, as they work together
to achieve it on earth.*

*Whether we are home or abroad,
surrounded by many people suffering
from this illness or only a few,*

Jesus Christ, stay with us

as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare.

In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

Jesus Christ, heal us.

SLOVAK CATHOLIC SOKOL

A tradition of providing sound financial protection and benefits to our members
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Cash Value

The cash value grows at a steady rate, providing an increasing cash accumulation fund available throughout the lifetime of the contract.

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This feature allows you to borrow cash for things like an emergency, fund a child's education or make a mortgage down payment.

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These "participating" plans are eligible to share in our financial success and receive policy dividends. When a dividend is declared, three options are available:

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- Left on Deposit—earns interest, or
- Cash.

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- Tax-deferred earnings on the cash accumulations fund.

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This is our lowest premium permanent whole life insurance plan. Legacy Life provides a fully paid certificate at a great savings for the life of the certificate holder.

Issue ages 0–80.

Legacy Single Premium

The premium is paid in one lump sum at the time of application. This plan provides a fully paid certificate at a great savings for the life of the certificate holder.



This plan is ideal for young people, and useful for adults that prefer to have their life insurance prepaid or used for wealth transfer.

Issue ages 0–90.

Legacy 20

Premiums are paid for 20 years, at which time the certificate is 'paid-up' and remains in force for the lifetime of the insured, while cash values continue to grow for as long as you keep the contract.

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Issue ages 0–80.

10 Year Renewable/Convertible Term

Level death benefit with scheduled level premiums for a period of 10 years. A feature of this plan is that it automatically renews in 10-year increments (at your attained age) until the age of 75 at which time all benefits end. The plan is convertible to a permanent plan of life insurance until age 65.

Issue ages are 18–60.

20 Year Convertible Term

This plan provides a level death benefit and level premiums for 20 years. After the initial 20-year period the plan continues as a Yearly Renewable Term plan and renewable to age 70 at which time all benefits end. The plan is convertible to a permanent plan of insurance until age 65.

Issue ages are 18–50.

Youth Term to Age 30



This plan provides a level death benefit at an affordable premium for youth between the ages of 0 and 30. Future

insurability is guaranteed upon conversion to a permanent life plan at any time up to the age of 25.

Face amounts are available at \$10,000, \$25,000 or \$50,000. Premiums are payable to age 25, however benefits continue to age 30.

The very affordable premiums can be paid:

- Annually, or
- Single Premium.

Issue ages are 0–22.

VANTAGE DEFERRED ANNUITIES

This Collection of Deferred Annuity plans provides you with a varied range of investment options to fit your financial planning requirements.

Tax-Deferred Earnings

Earnings grow tax-free until a withdrawal occurs. Due to the power of compound tax-deferred growth, your retirement savings will accumulate quicker compared to a fully taxable account.

Cost

With all of our Annuity plans your investment can grow rapidly since there are no initial service, contract, transaction or premium fees. Every dollar you pay in premiums goes directly into your annuity's cash value and earns interest immediately.

Safety

Your annuity deposits are protected by the total resources of the Slovak Catholic Sokol. Information regarding the solvency can be readily verified by our financial statements filed with the New Jersey Insurance Department. These financial statements are accompanied by the required Actuarial Certification and Opinion of an independent Certified Public Accountant.

Short Term Investment Opportunities

We currently offer three annuity plans for the individual that is looking for a solid short-term investment alternative. Each of these products interest rates are guaranteed throughout the length of the annuity contract.

Premiums: One lump sum to open, additional premiums accepted for 30 days from opening of contract.

Issue Ages: 0—90

VANTAGE 1

Duration: 1-year contract

Early Withdrawal: 6%

VANTAGE 2

Duration: 2-year contract

Early Withdrawal: 1st year: 6%, 2nd year: 5%

VANTAGE 3

Duration: 3-year contract

Early Withdrawal: 1st year: 6%, 2nd year: 5%, 3rd year: 4%

Longer Term Investment Opportunity

The Vantage 5 and 7 are our longer-term deferred annuity plans that allows for savings, investment or a retirement program. The interest rate is highly competitive. As a flexible annuity plan additional premium deposits are permitted and does not affect or extend the penalty withdrawal period.

VANTAGE 5

Duration: 5-year contract

Guaranteed Interest Rate; 1st year of contract

Early Withdrawal:

- **Penalty Free:** 10% Annually
- **Penalty:** 1st year: 6%, 2nd year: 5%, 3rd year: 4%, 4th year: 3%, 5th year: 2%

VANTAGE 7

Duration: 7-year contract

Guaranteed Interest Rate; 1st two-years of contract

Early Withdrawal:

- **Penalty Free:** 10% Annually
- **Penalty:** 1st year: 8%, 2nd year: 7%, 3rd year: 6%, 4th year: 5%, 5th year: 4%, 6th year: 3%, 7th year: 2%

Guaranteed Income

This Single Premium Immediate Annuity contract when established pays a specified periodic distribution or for a lifetime of income. An Immediate Annuity provides an income benefit almost instantly.

Settlement Options

- Life Only
- Specified Period
- Life and Period Certain
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2020 INTERNATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

SEVEN OAKS COUNTRY CLUB AND BLACK HAWK GOLF COURSE – BEAVER FALLS, PA

AUGUST 14TH – 16TH

The longer days and warmer weather brings us closer to the golf season and to our Slovak Catholic Sokol's 65th International Golf Tournament which will be held August 14th-16th 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 65th 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 17th (postmarked).**

The full golf package is only \$280.00 if you stay at Microtel Inn & Suites and \$315.00 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 breakfast and lodging. Finally, for our members who may not require the hotel and meal package, there is a golf only package for \$160.00, 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 \$230/\$265.00 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 or 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 that would like to purchase additional dinner tickets. Holy Mass obligation can be fulfilled at a choice of many local churches. Church locations and Mass 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 2020 Frank S. Petruff Memorial Sports Award.

This will be a great fraternal golf event, and 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*

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 15th and 18 on Sunday, August 16th.

7. A 9 hole competition will also be offered. The registered golfers for this competition will play 9 holes starting, Saturday August 15th and 9 on Sunday, August 16th. (Based on number of requests)

8. Entry Fee is \$15.00 and Tournament Expense is \$15.00. 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 twosomes & foursomes, please indicate your golf partners on the 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 17th, 2020.** 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
65th International Golf Tournament Entry Form
August 14th-16th 2020

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 17th 2020

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: 8:15 AM Saturday & 8:15 AM Sunday

Preferred Doubles Partner: _____

_____ Full Golf Package	Double Occupancy	<u>Microtel</u>	<u>Fairfield Inn</u>
	Package Fee:	\$ 250.00	\$ 285.00
	Entry Fee/Tournament Expense:	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
	TOTAL DUE:	\$ 280.00	\$315.00
_____ Full Golf Package	Single Occupancy	<u>Microtel</u>	<u>Fairfield Inn</u>
	Package Fee:	\$ 345.00	\$415.00
	Entry Fee/Tournament Expense:	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
	TOTAL DUE:	\$ 375.00	\$445.00
_____ Golf Only Package	Package Fee	\$130.00	
	Entry Fee/Tournament Expense	\$ 30.00	
	TOTAL DUE:	\$ 160.00	
_____ Banquet Only	Banquet Fee:	\$ 25.00	
	TOTAL DUE:	\$ 25.00	
_____ Non-Golf Package	Double Occupancy	\$100.00	\$135.00
_____ Half Golf Package (9 holes 2 days)	Double Occupancy	<u>Microtel</u>	<u>Fairfield Inn</u>
	Package Fee:	\$ 200.00	\$235.00
	Entry Fee/Tournament Expense:	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
	TOTAL DUE:	\$ 230.00	\$265.00

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

What's making headlines in our ancestral homeland**VENTILATOR DESIGNED BY YOUNG SLOVAK SCIENTISTS GOES INTO PRODUCTION**

An alternative volume-regulated portable lung ventilator called Q-vent, which was designed by young Slovak scientists, has already gone into serial production.

The lung ventilator, which provides bridging ventilation in conditions in which it isn't possible to use professional equipment, was created by PhD students of the Physical and Theoretical Chemistry Department at the Bratislava-based Comenius University, Samuel Furka and Daniel Furka, head of the outpatient chemotherapy department of the National Oncology Institute Patrik Palacka and student of Comenius's Medical Faculty Dalibor Gallik.

As soon as serial production of the ventilator was launched, it was offered free of charge to Italy and other countries as part of humanitarian aid via the Slovak Foreign Affairs Ministry.

Using an airway tube, Q-vent assists a sedated patient to breathe for 24 hours and in portable mode for six hours. Its sensor indicates when the patient wakes up and begins to breathe spontaneously. Its filter contains a UV steriliser and a special ceramic filter insert that was produced via 3D printing by Marian Janek's team from the Inorganic Materials Department of the Slovak Technical University in Bratislava.

The scientific team financed the development of the device from its own resources, and serial production was launched thanks to support from the dean's office of Comenius's Faculty of Natural Sciences and two companies called Koval Systems and Embasys. The creators of the project pointed to the fact that financial support is needed in order to continue production, and the young scientists have asked several institutions for this. "Paradoxically, gaining at least a small amount of financial support for a project that represents Slovakia in the international context is much more demanding than the whole process of development, testing and launching the serial production of the device," stated Samuel Furka.

The project's creators believe that Slovak governmental institutions will support serial production of the Q-vent ventilator so that clinical testing can start as soon as possible.

CHILDREN COULD BE ALLOWED TO GO TO SCHOOL FOR ONE MONTH IN SUMMER

Prime Minister Igor Matovic conceded that children could be "allowed" to go to school for at least a month during the two-month holidays in July and August to make it up at least partly for the coronavirus break, now lasting nearly two months.

Nevertheless, Matovic said that this will be possible only if Slovakia continues doing well vis-a-vis coronavirus.

Matovic again reiterated one of his key policy statements regarding coronavirus, namely that not politicians, but epidemiologists should be the ones to decide, including on the re-opening of

shops, for example. He called for responsibility of both the public and politicians, especially First Deputy Prime Minister and Economy Minister Richard Sulik, who's been warning for several weeks against devastating economic effects of the lockdown amid not a particularly rampant coronavirus outbreak in Slovakia.

However, Matovic claimed Slovakia is in fact doing well economically. "As we have healthy people in Slovakia, we also have the healthiest firms," he stated, adding that as soon as foreign demand recovers, Slovakia will be able to relaunch production.

When asked about his disputes with Sulik concerning the lockdown, Matovic said that shops, libraries and theatres are closed, but these facilities don't represent industry.

"I'd be very pleased if he attempted to submit to authority, at least once in his life," said Matovic in reference to the deputy head of the Cabinet, adding that experts represent authorities here. At the same time he called Sulik as "lacking responsibility".

BAD POLISH POULTRY MEAT IMPORTED TO SLOVAKIA, RUINS DOMESTIC FIRMS

Defective Polish poultry meat, which would ordinarily end up in incinerators, continues to be imported to Slovakia, at the same time causing economic troubles to domestic poultry breeders, TASR was told by Daniel Molnar, director of Slovakia's Union of Poultry Breeders.

"The fact that low-quality Polish poultry meat is being imported to Slovakia was also confirmed by inspections of the State Veterinary and Food Authority in April," said Molnar, adding that this is taking place despite strict measures introduced by Slovakia.

"Polish poultry meat is being imported to Slovakia for suspiciously low prices, which subsequently squeeze the prices of Slovak production, cause huge losses to Slovak producers and endanger their very existence during the current crisis. The prices of Polish producers are far below the production cost and imperil economic competition on our market," said Molnar, adding that only 45 percent of poultry meat on the shelves of large retail chains comes from Slovak producers, as was revealed by a recent survey.

PEOPLE CAN USE MOBILE APP INSTEAD OF STATE QUARANTINE

People will be able to use a mobile application introducing the so-called smart quarantine instead of state quarantine, according to an amendment to the law on protection, support for and development of public health and on electronic communications approved by Parliament on Friday, May 15. The House dealt with the amendment via a fast-track legislative procedure.

A new form of quarantine via a mobile app should ease the burden on state quarantine facilities. "It would also have a less invasive effect on people arriving in Slovakia from abroad and at the same time provide a level of compliance with quarantine measures comparable to that of compulsory state quarantine," stated the Health Ministry that submitted the amendment.

The app would be provided free of charge. The state hopes that it will reduce budget expenditure. At the same time, it would free up hundreds of police officers, fire-fighters and soldiers currently carrying out tasks related to state quarantine.

People who agree to such a form of quarantine will be obliged to install and use a mobile app to allow adherence to be monitored. They will also be obliged to enable access to data concerning the mobile device's location and to allow the mobile device to save an image of the face of the mobile-phone user.

*Selected stories are provided by TASR
– the Slovak Republic's official News Agency.*

DID YOU KNOW THAT SLOVAKIA...

... has the only capital city in the world bordering two countries. Bratislava is situated between Austria and Hungary.

...has the world's highest number of castles and châteaux.

...has 180 castles and 425 châteaux – the world's highest number of castles and châteaux per capita. The most famous castle is the



Spiš Castle

UNESCO-listed 900-year-old Spiš Castle, just outside the village of Žehra.

... is incredibly beautiful. A testament to this fact is the country's nine national parks and 14 protected landscape areas. Visitors can take



Lomnický Peak

a cable car up to Lomnický Peak in the High Tatras or float down the Dunajec River on a traditional wooden raft. For those more adventurous souls, there's an opportunity to track bears and wolves in one of Europe's last untouched wilderness areas, the Slovak-Moravian Carpathians.

...has over 1600 officially registered springs. These include sources



Piešťany

es of pure, mineral drinking water and hot thermal baths.

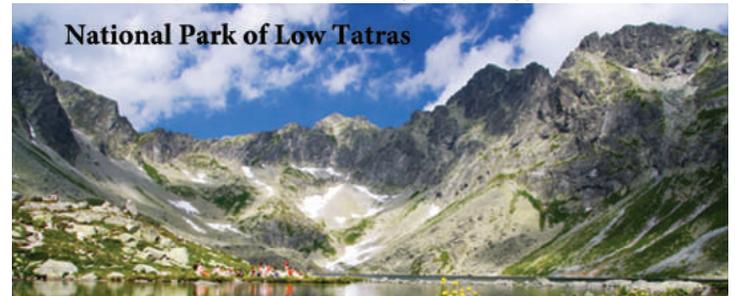
...has twenty UNESCO World Heritage Sites. In addition to Slovakia's enviable collection of castles and châteaux, it also has an impressive number of UNESCO-recognised heritage sites. From



Bardejov

the historic town of Banská Štiavnica to the country's wooden churches and natural caves, there is plenty for history and culture buffs to explore. Bardejov is an almost perfectly-preserved medieval town, with its fortified city walls, old Burgers' houses and the Gothic Basilica.

...is home to a staggering 6000 caves. Most of these can be found in the national parks of Low Tatras (Nízke Tatry), Slovak Paradise



National Park of Low Tatras

(Slovenský Raj) and Slovak Kras (Slovenský Kras).

...has the first folk architecture reservation in the world. The best



Čičmany

place to experience Slovakia's cultural history is in the picturesque village of Čičmany – the world's first protected reservation of folk architecture.

...Artist Andy Warhol had roots in Slovakia. His parents came from

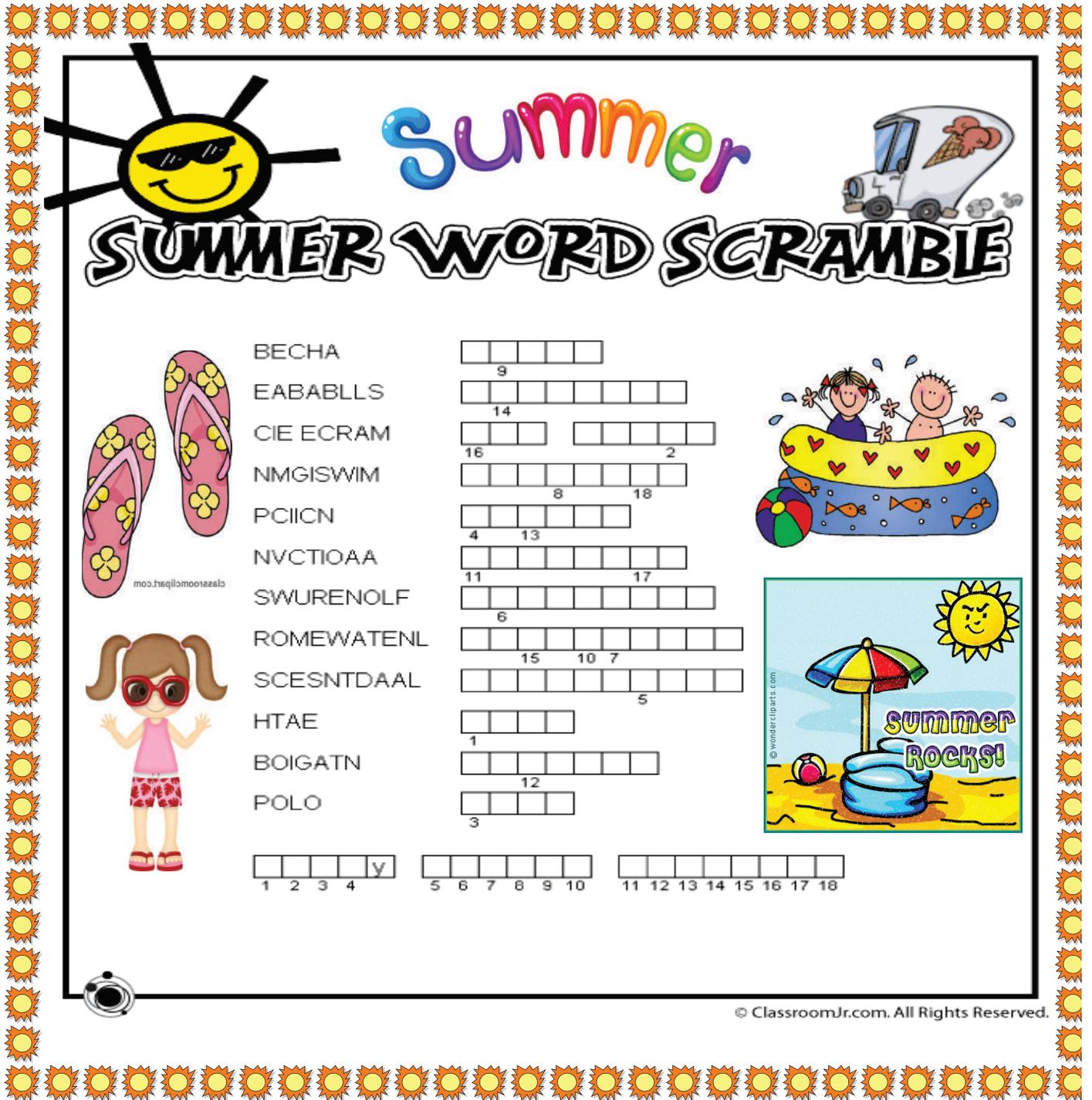
Andy Warhol Museum of Modern Art Medzilaborce



Medzilaborce, a town in north-eastern Slovakia. Slovakia is now the home of the world's second-largest collection of Andy Warhol's works (after Pittsburgh, PA).



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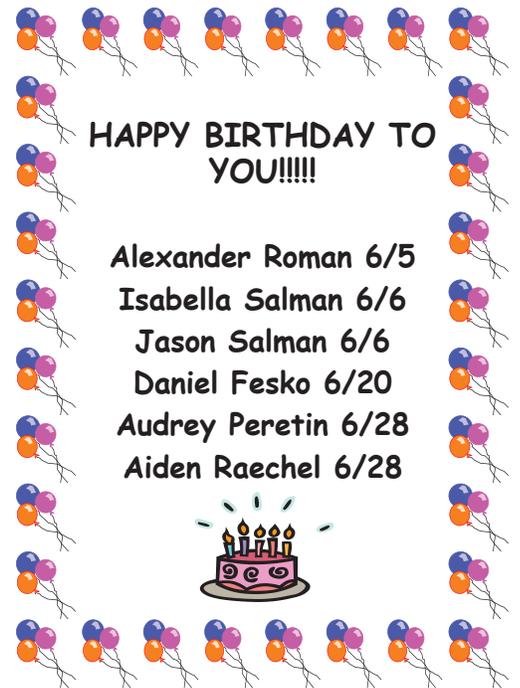


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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!!

Alexander Roman 6/5
Isabella Salman 6/6
Jason Salman 6/6
Daniel Fesko 6/20
Audrey Peretin 6/28
Aiden Raechel 6/28



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TO ME
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KIDS' CORNER "Detský kútik" - - June 2020

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

If you love to read.....this is just the program for you. From June 15th-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@slovakcatholicsokol.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



Father's Day is a celebration honoring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. The tradition was said to be started from a memorial service held for a large group of men who died in a mining accident in Monongah, West Virginia in 1907. It was first proposed by Sonora Dodd of Spokane, Washington in 1909. It is currently celebrated in the United States annually on the third Sunday in June.

Father's Day was inaugurated in the United States in the early 20th century to complement Mother's Day in celebrating fathers, fathering, and fatherhood.

Father's Day was founded in Spokane, Washington at the YMCA in 1910 by Sonora Smart Dodd, who was born in Arkansas. Its first celebration was in the Spokane YMCA on June 19, 1910. Her father, the Civil War veteran William Jackson Smart, was a single parent who raised his six children there. After hearing a sermon about Anna Jarvis's Mother's Day at Central Methodist Episcopal Church in 1909, she told her pastor that fathers should have a similar holiday honoring them. Although she initially suggested June 5, her father's birthday, the pastors did not have enough time to prepare their sermons, and the celebration was deferred to the third Sunday of June.

It did not have much success initially. In the 1920s, Dodd stopped promoting the celebration because she was studying in the Art Institute of Chicago, and it faded into relative obscurity, even in Spokane. In the 1930s Dodd returned to Spokane and started promoting the celebration again, raising awareness at a national level. She had the help of those trade groups that would benefit most from the holiday, for example the manufacturers of ties, tobacco pipes, and any traditional present to fathers. Since 1938 she had the help of the Father's Day Council, founded by the New York Associated Men's Wear Retailers to consolidate and systematize the commercial promotion. Americans resisted the holiday during a few decades, perceiving it as just an attempt by merchants to replicate the commercial success of Mother's Day, and newspapers frequently featured cynical and sarcastic attacks and jokes. But the trade groups did not give up: they kept promoting it and even incorporated the jokes into their adverts, and they eventually succeeded.

A bill to accord national recognition of the holiday was introduced in Congress in 1913. In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson went to Spokane to speak in a Father's Day celebration and wanted to make it official, but Congress resisted, fearing that it would become commercialized. US President Calvin Coolidge recommended in 1924 that the day be observed by the nation, but stopped short of issuing a national proclamation. Two earlier attempts to formally recognize the holiday had been defeated by Congress. In 1957, Maine Senator Margaret Chase Smith wrote a proposal accusing Congress of ignoring fathers for 40 years while honoring mothers, thus "[singling] out just one of our two parents". In 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation honoring fathers, designating the third Sunday in June as Father's Day. Six years later, the day was made a permanent national holiday when President Richard Nixon signed it into law in 1972.

FATHER'S DAY MANCAKE PANCAKES

8 slices bacon
 1/3 cup packed brown sugar
 1 teaspoon vegetable oil, or as needed
 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
 3 tablespoons white sugar
 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
 10 fluid ounces dad's favorite beer, or more if needed
 3 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract (optional)
 Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Line a baking sheet with aluminum foil. Place a wire rack on top of baking sheet; place bacon strips on wire rack. Bake in the preheated oven for 10 minutes; remove from oven and sprinkle tops of bacon strips with half the brown sugar. Return to oven and bake 10 more minutes. Remove from oven and flip bacon to other side; sprinkle with remaining brown sugar and bake until bacon is crisp and brown sugar is golden brown, 10 to 15 more minutes. Remove bacon, let cool, and crumble into small pieces. Lightly grease a skillet with vegetable oil and place over medium-high heat. Whisk flour, white sugar, and baking powder in a large bowl; in a separate bowl, whisk beer, melted butter, salt, and vanilla extract. Lightly stir the liquid ingredients into the flour mixture to make a smooth batter. Stir candied bacon pieces into the batter. Pour batter into the hot skillet 1/2 cup at a time and cook until edges are browned, about 2 minutes; flip pancake and cook until golden brown and the center is set, 3 to 5 more minutes.

DADDY'S SAVORY TOMATO BISCUITS

3 cups self-rising flour
 1/8 teaspoon baking soda
 1/8 teaspoon salt
 1 teaspoon white sugar
 1/2 cup shortening
 1 cup tomato-vegetable juice cocktail
 Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Grease a baking sheet. Stir the flour, baking soda, salt, and sugar together in a bowl, and cut in the shortening with a pastry cutter until the mixture looks like crumbs. Mix in the vegetable juice cocktail just until moist, and turn out onto a well-floured work surface. Gently knead several times just until dough holds together, roll out to 1/2-inch thick, and cut into rounds with a biscuit cutter. Place the biscuits onto the prepared baking sheet. Bake until risen and lightly browned, 8 to 10 minutes.

BURGER WITH CAJUN MAYO

1/2 cup mayonnaise
 2 teaspoons Cajun seasoning
 1 pounds ground beef sirloin
 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and chopped
 1/2cup diced white onion
 1 clove garlic, minced
 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
 4 slices pepperjack cheese
 4 hamburger buns, split, 4 leaves lettuce, 4 slices tomato
 In a small bowl, mix together the mayonnaise and 1 teaspoon of Cajun seasoning. Set aside. In a large bowl, mix together the ground sirloin, jalapeno pepper, onion, garlic, 1 tablespoon Cajun seasoning, and Worcestershire. Divide into patties and cook them on the grill for about 5 minutes per side, or until well done. During the last 2 minutes, lay a slice of cheese on top of each patty. Spread the seasoned mayonnaise onto the insides of the buns. Put burgers in the buns, and top with lettuce and tomato to serve.



OBITUARIES

DAVID ANDREW HUSSAR

February 2, 1960 – April 15, 2020

David (Dave) Hussar age 60 passed away suddenly of a heart attack on Wednesday April 15th. He was born February 2, 1960 in Canton, Ohio. David was an active participant in Group 5 and Assembly 180, serving as Director of the Group for over 20 years as well as currently serving as director of Assembly 180 and Group 5 treasurer. David competed in several Slets starting in 1975 in Youngstown, Ohio, and soon after became the Director of Group 5 and attended several Clinics as well. He continued being Director of Group 5 for over 20 years.



He raised his children as Slovak Catholic Sokol members and continued attending Slets for many more years, especially to see his 3 daughters and 1 son compete. David was known for his sportsmanship, whether competing in track and field, bowling, golf or a fan in the stands, and always had a smile on his face, never having a negative word to say. David, being a caring and giving man, donated his organs upon his death and will be helping 25-27 others through his organ donation.

David was a life resident of Canton and a 1978 graduate of St. Thomas Aquinas High School and 1982 graduate of Walsh University. He was employed at Case Farms, working as an accountant. He was a member of Christ the Servant Catholic Parish and served in the Men's club as treasurer, a member of the Hall of Fame Luncheon Club, Eastbury Tuesday Bowling league, and a volunteer at the Pro Football Hall of Fame Gold Jackets Banquet. He was an avid Walsh University basketball fan and enjoyed taking anyone who was willing to go.

David is survived by his mother Delphine "Dolly" Hussar, his wife Denise Hussar, daughters Kristina (Chad) Freeman, Brittany (Jake) Speck, Alexa (Anthony) Goffus; son Andrew Hussar, siblings: twin brother, Dan Hussar, sisters Sharon (Cedric James), Sue (Brian) Blosser, (Honorary Supreme Member of the SCS), and Lynda (Jeff) Hill. He took extreme pride in his 6 grandchildren, who called him Grandpa: Carter, Kamden, Harvey, Monroe "Ro", Malone, and Ellie. He was beloved "Uncle Dave" to 11 nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his father: Andrew P. Hussar.

During this Covid-19 era, the funeral was a private Church Ceremony with only his wife, mother, children, siblings, and their spouses. No calling hours were held. He was laid to rest at Calvary Cemetery where he was buried next to his father, Andrew Hussar. To pay their last respects, over 85 family members and friends showed up at the cemetery, standing at least 6 feet from each other. In lieu of flowers, the family is accepting donations to the Slovak Catholic Sokol Memorial Scholarship Fund. Send donations to the SCS Museum Account, in care of Jim Knis, 6385 Harbor Drive NW, Canton, Ohio 44718. Please put in comments of check in memory of Dave Hussar.

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THOMAS J. KRACK, WELL-KNOWN SOKOL FRATERNAL ACTIVIST

JULY 17, 1962 – MAY 2, 2020

Thomas J. Krack of Garfield, NJ passed away on May 2 at Hackensack University Medical Center. He was 57.



A Garfield, NJ native, he was born there. He was a 1980 graduate of the former Pope Pius XII High School in Passaic, NJ. He received a Pharmacy Tech degree from Berdan Institute in Totowa, NJ. He had been employed at Hobby Lobby as a Retail Associate. He also worked part-time at Variety Drug in Garfield in his early years.

Tom was an active and faithful parishioner at SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish in Clifton, NJ. A Sokol since birth, he was active in Assembly 162 where he served as an officer. He was a trustee of Group 1 of the Slovak Catholic Sokol and a veteran of several Sokol conventions.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Rudolph E. and Marie M. Mullen Krack. He is survived by his brother Rudolph J. Krack and his wife Karen of Chesterfield, VA; his sisters Margaret M. Jackson and her husband Robert of West Chester, PA and Elizabeth A. Krack of Garfield, NJ; two nephews and three nieces as well as three great-nieces and one great-nephew.

The Bizub-Qunlian Funeral Home of Clifton was in charge of arrangements. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Thomas J. Krack Memorial Fund in care of Citizens Bank, 1502 West Chester, PA, 19382. Brother Krak was a lifelong active Sokol who will be sorely missed.

ELLEN GREGUS

February 5, 1930 – April 16, 2020

Ellen Gregus passed away peacefully in her sleep on April 16 at the Armenian Nursing Home in Emerson, NJ of complications of the COVID-19 virus. She was 90 years old.

Her burial took place on April 24 at George Washington Memorial Park Cemetery in Paramus, NJ.

Ellen was born in Liptovska Luzna, Slovakia and later immigrated to New York at the age of 16. It was in New York City where she met and married Rudolph Gregus. They settled in Palisades, NY and raised two daughters. Her passion was her family. In addition to being a loving mother and devoted wife, Ellen excelled at baking homemade Slovak pastries, especially around the holidays when the entire home smelled like a bakery! She was also an accomplished seamstress.

She was very active in the Slovak community assisting her husband at cultural affairs and most dedicated to the Slovak church of St. Johns Nepomucene in Manhattan for over 50 years, where she sang in the choir and was a lector. She was an active member of Wreath 168 in New York.

Ellen is survived by her daughters Ruzena Goldenberg and Luba Mason, sons-in-law Dr. Alec Goldenberg, Ruben Blades, three grandchildren: Grant, Caitlin and Caroline Goldenberg, nieces Vera Davies, Sonja Nienstedt, Ellen Boldis, Linda Pancari and nephew John Boldis Jr.

Due to the COVID-19 virus quarantine, a private showing took place at Hunt Stellato Funeral Home in Fort Lee, NJ. May she rest in peace.



GERALD J. FABIAN, 83, WAS LIFE-LONG FRATERNALIST

SEPTEMBER 21, 1936 – MARCH 30, 2020

Well-known Slovak fraternal and cultural leader, Gerald J. Fabian, passed away peacefully at home on March 30 with his wife of more than 60 years, the former Patricia A. Kyra and family in attendance. He was 83.



“Gerry,” as he was affectionately known by family and friends, was born September 21, 1936 in Ormrod, PA son of the late Joseph Fabian, Sr. and the former Veronica Pekar. He served in the U.S. Army and was a member of the Catholic War Veterans Post#454. He was employed by Sears Roebuck in various capacities and the Mack Trucks Engineering Department. He received his undergraduate college degree

at East Stroudsburg University and Seton Hall University, earning a Master’s degree in Speech & Healing Pathology. He was employed by several school districts until his retirement. He served as a Whitehall Township Commissioner for 20 years and served as secretary of the board.

An active Sokol all his life, Brother Gerry served as an officer of Assembly 255 and represented his lodge at many Sokol national conventions. He was also an active member of Branch 796 of the First Catholic Slovak Union. In addition, he was active in the work of the Slovak Catholic Federation. He was a life-long member of Holy Trinity Parish in Egypt-Whitehall, PA, where he served as an usher and faithful pirohy maker.

In addition to his wife, Patricia, Brother Fabian is survived by his sons, Michael G.(Deborah) of Whitehall, PA, Matthew M.(Rachel) of Fogelsville, PA; daughters, Mary, New Tripoli and Monica at home; grandchildren, Laura M.(Trent) Fabian-Dunn, Jessica A. Fabian & Olivia J. Fabian; great-grandchildren, (Miss) Millie Jane & Mack(a-doodle) Dunn, and Theodore(Theo) Gerald Stephens; niece, Michaeleen Fabian Dom,late husband, Charles; and nephew, Deacon Gregory Fabian. In addition to his parents, Brother Fabian was preceded in death by brothers Joseph and John, sisters, Ann and Veronica as well as nieces and nephews.

The Reichel Funeral Home in Northampton was in charge of arrangements. Donations in memory of Brother Fabian may be made to the Sisters of St. Francis Center for Renewal, 395 Bridle Path Rd., Bethlehem, PA.

Brother Fabian was credit to our Catholic faith traditions, our Slovak heritage and the high ideals of the fraternal benefit system and will be sorely missed. May he rest in peace. Zdar Boh!

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SLOVENSKÁ EKONOMIKA SA OCITLA NA CHVOSTE EURÓPSKEJ ÚNIE

Slovenská ekonomika v prvom štvrtroku tohto roka zaznamenala v stálych cenách medziročný pokles o 3,9 percenta. HDP tak zaznamenal prvý prepád od globálnej ekonomickej krízy v roku 2009.

Po očistení výsledkov o sezónne vplyvy sa hrubý domáci produkt znížil medziročne o 4,1 percenta a oproti 4. štvrtroku minulého roka o 5,4 percenta. Vyplýva to z rýchleho odhadu HDP, ktorý v piatok zverejnil Štatistický úrad.

V marci Slovensko oznámilo prvý potvrdený prípad koronavírusom, po ktorom vláda zaviedla rôzne obmedzenia.

Niektoré veľké podniky boli takisto nútené prerušiť výrobu.

“Nepriaznivý ekonomický vývoj (v 1. štvrtroku) evidujeme kvôli poklesu pridanej hodnoty v kľúčových odvetviach priemyslu, hlavne vo výrobe automobilov a tiež vo viacerých sektoroch služieb,” uviedli štatistici.

K poklesu ekonomiky podľa nich prispel nižší zahraničný dopyt. Rast domáceho dopytu potom označili za nedostatočný, najviac sa zvýšili výdavky vlády.

Spresnené údaje o vývoji slovenského hospodárstva štatistický úrad zverejní na začiatku júna.

Už ale upozornil, že vzhľadom na situáciu okolo choroby covid-19 a na dostupnosť dát môžu byť údaje spresnené vo väčšej miere ako tomu býva obvykle.

Ekonomické výsledky Slovenska zaostávajú aj za ostatnými krajinami Európskej únie.

Pokles ekonomiky sa na Slovensku prejavil aj v znížení zamestnanosti. Tá v prvom štvrtroku medziročne klesla o 0,5 percenta, kým v poslednom štvrtroku vlašajška sa ešte o 0,7 percenta zvýšila.

Hospodárstvo Slovenska v štvrtom vlašajšom štvrtroku oproti predchádzajúcim trom mesiacom ešte vykázalo rast o 0,6 percenta, medziročne ekonomika po revízii dát vzrástla o 2,1 percenta.

V krízovom roku 2009 slovenská ekonomika zaznamenala prepád o 5,5 percenta.

Národná banka Slovenska v aprílovej prognóze odhadla, že ekonomika tento rok podľa najpravdepodobnejšieho scenára klesne kvôli dopadom covidu-19 zhruba o deväť percent. Ministerstvo financií očakáva prepád HDP o 7,2 percenta. - ČTK

ČASŤ VÝROBY VOLKSWAGENU SA OPĚT ZAČALA TROJZMENNÚ PREVÁDZKU

Koncom mája prešla časť výroby najväčšej automobilky na Slovensku, Volkswagen Slovakia, na trojzmenú prevádzku.

Ako uviedla hovorkyňa fabriky Lucia Makayová, výrobná kapacita závodu sa od opätovného spustenia produkcie každým týždňom zvyšuje.

“Časť výroby prešla na trojzmenú prevádzku, pričom automobilka vyrába už od konca apríla všetky modely produktového portfólia,” dodala.

Volkswagen Slovakia v reakcii na klesajúci dopyt na trhoch s vozidlami a obmedzenia v dodávateľskom reťazci prerušil výrobu 17. marca tohto roku, pôvodne na dva týždne. Potom automobilka odstavku predĺžila do 5. apríla vrátane, neskôr informovala, že predlžuje prerušenie výroby vo všetkých troch tuzemských závodoch o ďalšie štyri pracovné dni (do Veľkej noci) a napokon sa rozhodla, že dočasné zastavenie výroby bude pokračovať aj v 16. kalendárnom týždni (do 19. apríla 2020).

NEDOSTATOK ZRÁŽOK NA SLOVENSKU MÔŽE POZNAČIŤ AJ TOHTOROČNÚ ÚRODU

Dlhodobé suchá ohrozujú úrodu na Slovensku. Situácia spôsobená nedostatkom zrážok je kritická najmä na juhozápadnom Slovensku a na Záhorí. Suchá môžu poznačiť aj tohtoročnú úrodu.

Sucho trápi podľa jeho slov nielen Slovensko, ale tiež okolité štáty. Sucho sa v slovenských podmienkach kumuluje od jedného roka k druhému. Bezprostrednejšie príčiny sa začali už počas poslednej zimy, ktorá bola mimoriadne teplá. Patrila medzi najteplejšie zimy, ktoré boli v histórii meteorologických meraní u nás zaznamenané.

Na krajnom západe Slovenska na niektorých meteorologických staniách dosiahol úhrn zrážok v apríli za celý mesiac iba jeden milimeter. Na bratislavskom letisku ide o najnižší mesačný úhrn zrážok v apríli od roku 1951.

Stav zrážok bol nepriaznivý pre celé územie Slovenska, iba výnimočne miestami napršalo 40 milimetrov.

Dosahy sucha by mohli mať potenciálny vplyv na poľnohospodárstvo. Sucho by mohlo spôsobiť stratu výnosov vo výške približne 30 až 40 percent, lokálne by sa straty mohli vyšplhať aj nad 40 percent.

Vplyv by sucho malo mať najmä na obilniny, konkrétne na pšenicu, jačmeň, repku, kukuricu, cukrovú repu aj zemiaky. Tiež by sa malo dotknúť lesníctva.

Na to, aby sa situácia zlepšila, je podľa Slovenského hydrometeorologického ústavu potrebný dlhodobý dážď nižšej intenzity.

VIETE, ŽE...

...15. mája 1940 dali v USA do predaja nylonové pančuchy? Záujem bol tak veľký, že v celých Spojených štátoch sa štyri milióny párov pančúch vypredal za pár hodín. Jeden pár nyloniek stál 1,15 – 1,35 dolára, čo bolo dvojnásobne viac ako cena za dovtedajšie pančuchy z hodvábu.



Kaštieľ vo Svätom Antone v okrese Banská Štiavnica, národná kultúrna pamiatka od roku 1985, bol dostavaný v roku 1750 a jeho dejiny sú úzko späté s rodmi Koháry a Coburg. Bohato zariadené salóny pôvodným nábytkom odzrkadľujú spôsob života, vkus a záľuby týchto dvoch rodín. Legenda hovorí o symbolike kalendára, pôvodne mal 4 vchody (ročné obdobia), 7 arkád (dni v týždni), 12 komínov (mesiacov v roku), 52 izieb (týždňov v roku) a 365 okien (dni v roku).

RECEPTY NA JARNÉ VITAMÍNY

Jarná záhrada nám ponúka množstvo zeleniny plnej vitamínov. Ponúkame vám niekoľko receptov z tejto jarnej zeleninovej ponuky.

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Redkovku, a cibuľku nakrájame a mierne osolíme a pokvapkáme olivovým olejom. V 500 ml prevarenej vody rozpustíme 3 PL cukru a po rozpustení pridáme 3 PL octu, premiešame a zalejeme pripravené reďkovky s cibuľkou.

MIEŠANÝ ŠALÁT

1 ľadový šalát, 1 zväzok reďkovky, 1 šalátová uhorka, podľa chuti tvrdý syr, čerstvá kapia, trochu bylinkovej soli, trochu mletého čierneho korenia, podľa chuti balzamický ocot.



Redkovku, uhorku a kapiu nakrájame na malé kúsky. Šalát natrháme, syr nastrúhame. Dochutíme soľou, korením a octom. Necháme chvíľku postáť, aby sa chute spojili, premiešame a podávame k hlavnému jedlu.

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Zeleninu najemno nakrájame. Syr a zeleninu spolu premiešame, ochutíme soľou a korením.

Natierame na chlieb a ozdobíme kolieskami mrkvy.

HRIANKA SO ŠPENÁTOM A S HUBAMI ŠITAKE

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V panvici rozohrejeme olej. Pridáme cesnak a miešame, kým nezmäkne. Pridáme huby šitake a opekáme asi 2 minúty. Primiešame paradajky a ochutíme soľou a čiernym korením. Dusíme, až kým huby nezmäknú. Potom pridáme špenát a miešame ešte asi minútu. Medzitým si v hriankovači opečieme chlieb. Na hrianku rozotrieme hubovú zmes a ihneď podávame.

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KRÁTKE SPRÁVY ZO SLOVENSKA



Traja najvyšší slovenskí ústavní činitelia, prezidentka Zuzana Čaputová, premiér Igor Matovič a predseda parlamentu Boris Kolár, si 8. mája pripomenuli 75. výročie ukončenia druhej svetovej vojny pri Pamätníku a vojenskom cintoríne Háj Nicovô v Liptovskom Mikuláši. "Prišla som si sem dnes uctiť pamiatku všetkých tých, ktorí obetovali svoje životy za našu slobodu a prejaviť vďaku. Jednak našim predkom, dedom a pradedom, ale aj všetkým hrdinom spojeneckých vojsk. Vieme, že tu zahynulo mnoho vojakov z Ruska, z Veľkej Británie, z Francúzska a Spojených štátov amerických. Všetkým im patrí veľká vďaka a naša úcta," povedala po pietnom akte prezidentka Čaputová.

Spoločnosť Jaguar Land Rover Slovakia obnovila 18. mája výrobu vo všetkých svojich prevádzkach v nitrianskom závode. Výroba v závode bola prerušená od 20. marca. V závode zostali pracovať len vybrané tímy zabezpečujúce výrobu vozidla Land Rover Defender a tie, ktoré boli určené na zabezpečenie nevyhnutných prevádzkových činností. Vedenie automobilky oznámilo koncom apríla, že výrobu začne postupne obnovovať od polovice mája, pričom medzi prvými budú závody v Nitre, v Solihulle vo Veľkej Británii a v Rakúsku. Zároveň upozornilo, že obnovenie výroby v ďalších závodoch potvrdí vedenie spoločnosti v závislosti od toho, ako budú jednotlivé krajiny zmierňovať opatrenia vzhľadom na nový koronavírus týkajúce sa osobnej vzdialenosti a ako sa vo svete začnú otvárať obchodné prevádzky.

Slovenská jahňacina sa podľa agrozortu po dlhých desaťročiach vracia na pulty slovenských obchodov. Pre koronavírus na jar Taliansko, tradičný odberateľ jahňaciny slovenských ovčiarov, uzavrelo hranice a na Slovensku nastala kríza chovateľov oviec, ktorí nevedeli svoju produkciu nikde umiestniť. Slovenskí chovatelia tak podľa ministerstva prijali pomocnú ruku agrozortu, ktorá im pomohla celú situáciu prežiť. Potrebovali umiestniť približne 90 000 jahniat. Po mediálnej propagácii tejto situácie sa záujem o kúpu jahňacieho mäsa výrazne zvýšil. Chovateľom volajú ľudia z celého Slovenska a mnohí majú záujem jahňacinu vyskúšať prvýkrát.

Letecká doprava na Slovensku by sa mohla obnoviť v júli, odhaduje minister dopravy SR Andrej Doležal, ktorý tvrdí, že nemá zmysel otvoriť leteckú prepravu na Slovensku nekoordinovane s ostatnými krajinami. Uviedol to po návšteve bratislavského letiska 15. mája.

Slovenský trh s automobilmi má za sebou jeden z najhorších mesiacov v histórii. Koronakríza ochromila globálnu výrobu vozidiel narušením dodávateľsko-odberateľských vzťahov, no najväčším problémom bol ochromený dopyt. Slovenskí zákazníci si v apríli kúpili menej ako 3 800 vozidiel, čo predstavuje 61-percentný medzročný pokles. Zákazníci podľa analytikov odkladajú nákupy dlhodobej spotreby, čo sa prejavilo na strategických trhoch v Ázii či Európe prepadmi presahujúcimi 80 či dokonca 90 percent.



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