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**December 2022**

Moving? Please let us know your new address!

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Check out our website:

**[www.sokolspirit.org](http://www.sokolspirit.org)**

**From our President,**

**Sister Kathy Barcal**

**Veselé Vánoce (Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays) Brothers and Sisters!**

We have had a successful 2022 Sokol season and are preparing for our classes and events in 2023. Thanks to all of you for your continued support to Sokol Spirit. Whether you signed up for class, volunteered at a fundraiser, supported the fundraiser, made a monetary donation or attended a meeting or two, you have helped make a difference towards our success!

Thank you to our Building Management committee who keeps our building clean and safe and continuing to move forward with our improvement projects. Thank you to our Board of Instructors and all they do to keep our classes running smoothly all year long! Your time and dedication is truly appreciated. One last thank you to our Executive Board for all of your support and continuing to be active in Sokol and promoting our organization within the community.

Mark your calendars for a few upcoming events in 2023. We have monthly unit meetings on the first Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:00 p.m. with a social followed by the meeting at 7:30 p.m. We will be hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday, January 29, 7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. followed by our volleyball Flapjack tournament. All are invited to participate! Registration is now open for our 2023 Winter/Spring session which runs from January 16<sup>th</sup> - May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Or as they say in the Czech language, Veselé Vánoce a šťastný nový rok! Enjoy the holiday season with your family and friends! We look forward to seeing you in 2023!

Nazdar!

Kathy Barcal



### 2022 Central District President's Award

Sis. Maureen Stanko and Bro. John Tooke were the winners of the 2022 Central District President's award. Thank you for the dedication, time and talent you've given to Sokol over the years. Congrats to you both!



## Sokol Spirit Vendor Fair & Brookfield Zoo Trim a Tree



On Saturday, November 12, we held our Vendor/Craft fair again. It was well attended. We had 53 vendor tables. Thanks for all who helped with set up, helping vendors, in the kitchen, with clean up and who came out. Then off to the Zoo on the 13th for some Tree decorating.





## Winter/Spring 2023 Enrollment is OPEN!

Visit [sokolspirit.org](https://sokolspirit.org) to register. Some of our classes fill up quickly, so be sure to get your spot!

### Central District Tumbling and Vault competition

On November 20th Sokol Spirit had 18 competitors, 3 boys, 14 girls and one Junior girl do an amazing job of showing off their skills. Here are some photos. Results on the next page.



You shop. Amazon gives.

Choose "Smile": As you do your online holiday shopping, you may be asking: **How can I easily support Sokol Spirit?** We've got the answer for you: **Amazon Smile**  
Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), choose "Sokol Spirit" as your charity, and then shop as you normally would. Sokol Spirit gets a portion of the sale. Remember to use *Amazon Smile*, and tell your family and friends about it, too.

# Turkey Time Floor & Vault Competition 2022 Results

Spirit	Floor	Vault	All Round
203 Elliot Deibert	7.500 __.____ __.____	7.000 __.____ __.____	14.500
201 Donovan Shields	7.000 __.____ __.____	6.800 __.____ __.____	13.800
202 Max Muzzey	5.500 __.____ __.____	6.000 __.____ __.____	11.500

Spirit	Floor	Vault	All Round
210 Scarlett Crawford	9.100 __.____ __.____	8.000	17.100
214 Penelope Pros	8.700 __.____ __.____	8.350	17.050
203 Angelica Marquardt	8.800 __.____ __.____	7.500	16.300
209 Lucy Palomar	9.300 __.____ __.____	7.000	16.300
213 Alexis Fox	8.000 __.____ __.____	8.300	16.300
205 Natalie Raygoza	7.900 __.____ __.____	8.250	16.150
216 Anna Pachla	7.800 __.____ __.____	7.850	15.650
212 Riley O'Connell	8.200 __.____ __.____	7.300	15.500
211 Mia Solis	7.400 __.____ __.____	7.750	15.150
206 Teegan Langele	8.900 __.____ __.____	6.000	14.900
202 Aubrey Prokop	8.900 __.____ __.____	5.500	14.400
204 Vivian Harris	7.400 __.____ __.____	7.000	14.400
207 Alina Sadowski	7.000 __.____ __.____	6.500	13.500
208 Eleanor Ewell	8.000 __.____ __.____	5.000	13.000
201 Charlotte Pros	6.800 __.____ __.____	5.500	12.300





From the Cooks, to the servers, to the clean up crews to those who came out to eat, THANK YOU for making our Nov 5th Spaghetti Dinner a success. Your support is appreciated



**From our Financial Secretary:** Attention all members: dues letters are in the mail. Dues for 2023 are due by January 1, 2022. If you are registered for a class other than the Sr. coed class, you probably paid your dues along with your class fees and will not receive a letter. Questions? call Sis Becker at 847-842-0390, text her at 708-715-2421 or e-mail her at beckerd9749@sbcglobal.net.



Can you spot a young Sis Blanche and Sis Marie?

### ~ MEMORIAL FUND ~

In memory of Sis. Blanche Wostratzky

*from Sis. Helen Sevcu. . \$25.00*

*from Susan Collins. . . \$25.00*

*from Sis Pat Satek. . . \$25.00*

*from Warren Mark Fiodin & Tina P Fiodin . . \$25.00*

*From Sis Marie Ptacek, Sis Lynne Goodridge & Sis Jacki Rada ..... \$30.00*

*From Eileen Zittnon .....\$30.00*

*from Sis Marge Amlie. . . \$50.00*

*From Budz Family (Bill, Debbie, Jennifer & Christine).....\$50.00*

*From Pamela Kaloustian.....\$100.00*

*From Gary Lang (AZ).....\$100.00*

*From James & Susan Kezios.....\$100.00*

*From the Andersen Family(Marie, Jim, Scott & Amy).....\$100.00*

*From Debra Hutchins .....\$200.00*

*From Willette Lang.....\$200.00*

*-In memory of Sis. Marie Ptacek from Chuck and Dorothy Ptacek and family \$100*

*In Honor of Sis. Millie Mentzer's 100th Birthday*

*from Paul Lebloch. . . . \$00.00*

### ~ NEWSLETTER FUND ~

*from Diane Rus. . . \$25.00*

### ~ ADA FUND ~

*In memory of Sis. Balance Wostratzky*

*from Meribeth and John Tooke . . . \$25.00*

**Please send Memorial, Newsletter and ADA Fund dona-**





# Have you heard...?

Tell us about Sokol Spirit member news:  
SPIRITNEWS@HOTMAIL.COM ~ 708.370.7335

Happy 100th Birthday to our Member Sis. Mildred Mentzer!!!! *Všechno nejlepší k narozeninám*

Sending continued get well wishes to Bro Chuck Rocush. We wish you continued progress towards a healthy and safe recovery.

Condolences to the family of Sis Blanche Wostratzky who passed away on November 7, 2022 at 96 years of age. Blanche was a Sokol member for 79 years.

Condolences to the family of Charles Svestka who passed away on November 20, 2022 at 90 years old. Frank was a Sokol member for 47 years.

Condolences to the family of Marie Ptacek who passed away on December 6, 2022. Marie was 89 years of age. Marie was a Sokol member for 70 years.

We send our thoughts and prayers to all of our Sokol families and thank them for sharing their loved ones with our Sokol Family. They have all dedicated many years to the success of Sokol Nazdar!!

We want to hear from YOU!! In the upcoming months look for some changes coming to the Newsletter including an OPTION to receive it digitally. Stay tuned.



Friday January 20 - 8pm

Beer club is heating up this winter!

## Chili Cookoff Night



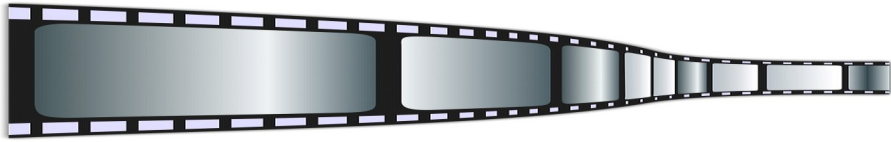
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*Bring a Chili to Share and Get a Free Beer Flight!*

Do you have a super chili recipe to show off? Bring it to Sokol to see if it's a winner!

## Presenting the 2022/23 Czech Film Series



Join us on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month** for our Czech Film Series and World Beer Club! The Czech films start at 7pm in our Czech classroom upstairs and with donation of \$5 you get a free pilsner, pop, or water. (Films have English Subtitles).

**February 17 Late Night Talks with Mother (*Noční hovory s matkou*)** 2001; 68 Minutes; G; English w Subtitles.; Plus a 13 minute interview with Jan Němec. An artistically experimental feature film with heavily autobiographical elements from the enfant terrible of Czech cinema, Jan Němec. The director carries out a cinematic-psychoanalytic probe into his own fate. In this cleverly stylized movie (a seeming counterpart to Franz Kafka's (Czech native) Letter to His Father). Actors include Václav Havel (Czech Republic president (1989-2003) and fellow FAMU graduate and cousin to Jan Němec.

**March 17 John Hus, the journey of no return (*Jan Hus: Cesta bez návratu*),** 2017; 55 Minutes; G; English dubbed. 14th century Czech priest and scholar John Hus is considered one of the first Protestant reformers. His interpretation of scripture and his bold stand against church corruption would strongly influence Martin Luther a century later. Hus spent his last days as a prisoner in Constance (Germany) on charges of heresy. During his imprisonment Hus formed an unusual friendship with one of his jailers, Robert Talio. Hus's demonstration of faith in the face of death won Talio over to his cause. This historically based documentary produced for Czech television features outstanding dramatized scenes that reveal Hus's humanity and depict his unwavering commitment to God's mercy and justice.

**April 21 He Stood at the Register/Cash Claim Chaos (*U poklady stal*)** 1939/1951; 101 Minutes; GP; Comedy. The last film title, which director Karel Lamač made just before emigrating from his Nazi-threatened homeland (Czechoslovakia), was a double comedy starring Vlasta Burian. In the film, the popular comedian played the hospital nurse Kryštof Rozruch, who, thanks to a confusion with his superior, the respected mayor Mark, obtains a spa stay from the health insurance company. In the Rochov (Central Czech Republic) spa, the nurse meets the real Mark, who, on the other hand, pretends to be Ruby in front of his girlfriend Heda to test the power of her selfless love... The comedy full of confusion provided Burian and his colleagues with plenty of opportunities for improvisation.

See more information about this film series, including titles and descriptions, on our website.

## Czech Language Classes 2022

Once again, we will be offering Czech Classes at Sokol Spirit. Participants will need to follow any safety protocols set forth by Sokol Spirit, including masks and health screenings. *Based on CDC guidance and students, classes may be held via Zoom*

Basic Conversational Czech - Monday Mornings from 10AM to 11:30

- Session II – 10 weeks, January 24 to March 28, 2022 - \$160
- Session III – 10 weeks, April 4 to June 13, 2022 - \$160

Intermediate Conversational Czech – Wednesday Evenings 7PM to 8:30

- Session II – 10 weeks, January 26 to March 30, 2022 - \$160
- Session III – 10 weeks, April 6 to June 15, 2022 - \$160

Classes are subject to minimum enrollment, and the schedule could change if it becomes necessary. Part-time participation is possible with advance notice and permission of the instructor at a pro-rated fee.

Thank you for understanding that there may be circumstances beyond our control.

A registration form is downloadable at [sokol-spirit.org](https://sokol-spirit.org) under the Education Tab, Czech Classes.

**Questions?** Contact Vera Wilt – 708-268-9350 or [czechclass@sokolspirit.org](mailto:czechclass@sokolspirit.org)





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### REGISTRATION/PAYMENT FORM

PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY

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#### Basic Conversational Czech - Monday Mornings from 10 AM to 11:30

- Session II – 10 weeks, January 23 to March 27, 2023 - \$160 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Session III – 10 weeks, April 3 to June 12, 2023 - \$160 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### Intermediate Conversational Czech – Wednesday Evenings 7PM to 8:30

- Session II – 10 weeks, January 25 to March 29, 2023 - \$160 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Session III – 10 weeks, April 5 to June 14, 2023 - \$160 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\* Part Time enrollment available with advance approval of teacher & notice of dates. Must register for the reduced # of classes upfront.

Part Time enrollment # \_\_\_\_\_ classes X \$16 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Private Lessons # \_\_\_\_\_ Contact us for rates \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Translation/Interpretation # \_\_\_\_\_ @\$30/hr = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Registrant

Please print clearly

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

(Last & First Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town \_\_\_\_\_, State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Are you on Facebook? Y / N

Best time/phone to leave a message \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

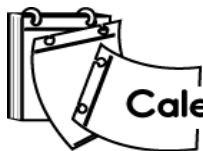
#### Form of Payment for class/session:

\_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_, Bank \_\_\_\_\_;

\_\_\_\_\_ Cash \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Credit card add \$5 fee - Contact Educ. Dir. Vera Wilt 708-268-9350 to pay by card

Classes are held in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor classroom (not handicap accessible) or via Zoom-as needed



## Calendar of Events

January/February 2023

December 26-January 15: No Classes

January 16-May 1: Spring Session

January 20: Beer Club Chili Cook Off

January 30: Pancake Breakfast & Flapjack Open

Save the dates:

February 17: Friday Film

February 25& 26: CD Events

Watch for information on our website or by email.

*Stay well everyone!*



*On behalf of Sokol Spirit leadership, we wish you and yours the happiest and healthiest holidays ever!*

*See you in 2023!*



Don't forget to check in at the gym: [www.facebook.com/sokolspirit](https://www.facebook.com/sokolspirit)



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