

2023 JULY



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of Lincoln**



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2023 CLUB CALENDAR
September 8: Membership Meeting
October 13: Membership Meeting
November 10: Membership Meeting
December 8: Membership Meeting
3rd Tuesday: Conversation Club (Zoom)
Last Tuesday: Reading Circle (Zoom)

MEETING LOCATION
HyVee 84 & Holdrege
5:30 Social; 6:00 Dinner



HELP US CELEBRATE!
Anne Štechová Callahan's
103rd Birthday!

SUNDAY JULY 16th
4:00 P.M.
Gateway Vista Auditorium
225 N 56th
RSVP by July 14th
Ann Volf 402-416-6390



Anička (Anne) Štechová was born on July 19, 1920, in what was then called Czechoslovakia. She was born in Havlíčkův Brod, a village south of Prague. She came to America as a child and her family settled in Sioux City, Iowa. They relocated near Park Falls, WI where she lived in a log cabin and attended a country school. Her family moved to Cicero, a suburb of Chicago, where she grew up. After moving to New York, to live with her aunt and uncle she got a job with American Airlines and was promoted to an international agent. Later, she became a stewardess with Pan American airlines. She also was a model to advertise their new Trans-Atlantic flights and was featured as a model for a 20th Anniversary poster in international Life Magazine. Anne met her husband, Leslie Owen Callahan, a captain in the Air Force when she was in Nebraska. They were married in 1949. They had three children, Robert, Carol, and Barbara. After her husband died, she returned to Lincoln where she heard about the Czech singing group, the Czech Choraliers. They led her to the Nebraska Czechs of Lincoln. Anne has served the club as president, vice president, secretary and treasurer as well as a frequent board member. She is known as *that Czech gal, with the Irish name, who makes the Italian cookies at the Czech festival.* We know her as the most beloved, elegant and gracious member of our club.

Right photo: Anne Callahan advertising new Pan-American's Trans-Atlantic sleepers.





TOM ZUMPFE & CATHY OSLZLY WIN KUCERA AWARD



Cathy and Tom have put in many long hours to keep the teaching of Czech culture & language alive at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. They worked to set up a scholarship program with UNL and the Czech Language Foundation. They've traveled to and visited many Czech communities & chapters to help secure program funding. They have been active with SVU - Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences. SVU, is a non-profit organization, that supports cultural, scientific and educational cooperation & promotes Czech and Slovak artists, writers, scientists and others. Cathy and Tom both played a major role in the success of the Lincoln 2001 SVU conference and helped assist with the 2003 conference in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. In 2010, Cathy and Tom helped organize the Great Plains History Conference that was held in Lincoln. Cathy and Tom are past board members of the Czech Language Foundation. Both are members of the Nebraska Czechs of Lincoln and have held key roles in the organization and our annual festival. Please join us in congratulating Tom and Cathy for receiving this year's prestigious award!

(Copied from LincolnCzechs.org) Photo left: Tom Zumpfe, Cathy Oslzly and Larry Pracheil.

NEBRASKA STATE PAGEANT



(left photo)

Congratulations to the new Miss Nebraska Czech-Slovak Queen, **Camille Koutec**, who represented the Omaha Czech-Slovak Cultural Club.

Camille wore an authentic kroj that she had made on a trip to Prague. Her talent was an Oral Presentation that included poetry from her great grandfather's book, *Songs of the Slav*, and her own addition to his poetry. Cami is a student at Harvard Law School.

When asked about why she wanted to be the Miss Nebraska Czech-Slovak queen, she responded, "I would be honored to serve as the Miss Nebraska Czech-Slovak Queen because the Czech Republic and my ancestral heritage have left indelible marks on the way I think, act, and lead..."

Our Lincoln Czech-Slovak Queen, **IvaMarie Volfova**, performs her talent at the Nebraska State Pageant in Clarkson. She danced en pointe to *Goin' Home* by Antonín Dvořák.



CZECH READING CIRCLE & CZECH CONVERSATION CLUB

DATE: July 25, 2023

LEADER: Stephen Lahey, Ph.D.

BOOK: *Krvavý román* (1924 novel) (1993 film)

TRANSLATOR Stephen Lahey, Ph.D.



OUR LEADER, PROFESSOR STEPHEN

LAHEY, specializes in medieval theology and philosophy, and does research on the Oxford theologian John Wyclif (d.1384) and the Hussite movement in 15th Century Bohemia. He has published several works on Wyclif, including *Philosophy and Politics in the Thought of John Wyclif* (Cambridge, 2003), *John Wyclif* (Great Medieval Thinkers, Oxford, 2009), and a full translation of Wyclif's *Triologus* (Cambridge 2013), as well as translations of Wyclif's commentary on the Decalogue and several of his sermons (*Wycliffite Spirituality*, with Fiona Somerset and Patrick Hornbeck, Classics in Western Spirituality, Paulist Press, 2013).

He is studying the reception of Wyclif's philosophical theology at Charles University in the period leading to the death of Jan Hus. His present project addresses the question, Why did the Bohemians embrace Wyclif's thought? This requires attention to the thought of Matěj of Janov, whose *Regulae Veteris et Novi Testamentum* shaped Bohemian conceptions of the relation of God to creation, and of the nature of the church. It also involves investigating the thought of Stanislaus of Znojmo and Stepan Paleč, two Bohemian masters who taught Hus, Jerome of Prague, and Jakoubek Stříbro, the leaders of what would become the Hussite movement.

Professor Lahey regularly teaches courses on Augustine, Dante, medieval theology, the relation of rational and religious thought, European culture before 1000 C.E., and an introductory course on Religious Studies. He has taught courses on Thomas Aquinas, Classical Muslim philosophy, Death and Dying, and on his area of research, and conducts an Education Abroad trip to National University of Ireland Maynooth every other year. (Source: <https://www.unl.edu/classics/stephen-lahey>)

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BOOK: *Krvavý román*

(1924 novel) (1993 film)

AUTHOR: Josef Váchal

TRANSLATOR: Stephen Lahey, Ph.D.

Krvavý román (a satirical thriller) is a successful Czech movie. Below is a brief description of this 1993 film. "The film is based on the book of the same title (A Sanguinary Novel) by the very individual Czech painter, typographer, author and philosopher Josef Váchal, who squeezed adventure, love, horror and other parallel episodes into, what is called, decadent reading for maids. It takes you through the history of the cinema, from silent films, to the beginning of sound and up to the very present." Jan Lipsansky "(Source: IMDb.com) The book is now being translated by Dr. Stephen Lahey from the University of Nebraska who is the presenter. He is anxious to get feedback on his translation.

Czech Heritage License Plate Update

(copied from LincolnCzechs.org)

A Legislative Bill was introduced this session that will provide for a Czech Heritage License Plate.

On February 24, LB140 had been placed on Select File. This is the 2nd round of debate on the Floor. LB140, did not pass during this year's Legislative session. However, this was the First Session of the 108th Legislature.

The Bill remains in Select File and when the Second Session convenes on January 3, 2024, the Bill will continue through the Legislative process.

THE COURTESY CORNER

Let us know if you are aware of someone who is celebrating something very special or is in need of our support.

Connie Jean Hulinsky

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(land line with recorder after four rings)

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CZECH CONVERSATION CLUB

Řekněte to česky!

Via ZOOM
ADJOURNED FOR THE SUMMER
NEXT MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19
7:00 PM



Slavit! Celebrate!



NEBRASKA CZECH FESTIVALS 2023

JULY 21, 22, 23
DWIGHT CZECH FESTIVAL

AUGUST 4, 5, 6
WILBER CZECH FESTIVAL
Crowning of the
National Czech-Slovak Queen
Saturday & Sunday
August 5 & 6 at 7:00 p.m.

AUGUST 12
PRAGUE CZECH HERITAGE DAY

SEPTEMBER 9
MILLIGAN St. WENCESLAS BREWFEST

OCTOBER 15
YORK CZECH FEST

OUT-OF-STATE JULY CZECH FESTIVALS

DTJ TABORVILLE (OHIO)
Delnicke Telocvicne Jednoty
or Workers' Gymnastic Union
Taborville, Ohio

JULY 9
100th CESKY DEN (Czech Day)
DTJ, Ceska Sin & bohemian National
Hall (\$5 donation at gate)
Bands all day—inside and outside
Pork, dumplings, & kraut; goulash &
dumplings, tripe soup, hot dogs
50/50 raffle, side boards, prize raffle

JULY 23
CHICKEN & DUCK DINNER
Reservations only
12:00 to 2:00 p.m.
Live Music
<http://www.dtjtaborville.com/>

WILSON CZECH FEST
WILSON, KANSAS
JULY 28, 2023

CZECH LANGUAGE FOUNDATION 2023 EVENTS

JULY 15, 2023
COFFEE & KOLACE BAKE SALE
Czech & Slovak Educational Center &
Museum
LaVista, NE

AUGUST 5, 2023
ANNUAL MEETING
11:00 a.m.—Fox Hole Tavern
Wilber Czech Festival

OCTOBER 8, 2023
FALL BANQUET
5:00 p.m.
Keynote Speaker, John Kotouc
“What’s so special about Jan Amos?”
First Lutheran Church
1551 S. 70th St.
Lincoln, NE

Website: czechlanguagefoundation.org
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BETTER LIFE

Formerly Western Fraternal
Life Association/ZCBJ

WALK AGAINST HUNGER
5:00—8:00 p.m.
AUGUST 6, 2023

Plus X High School
6000 A St, Lincoln, NE 68510
Donate food or money to fight hunger
in eastern Nebraska

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