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President's Message

Dear CCU Life Family

We have been trying to reach out to our members via email. If we already have your email you should have received an email from the home office to share what is happening in CCU. As for members that we do not have email for, they were mailed the old fashion way, 'snail mail'. We are encouraging our membership to send us their email address to lnsurance@czechccu.org We welcome any news you would care to share with our members. We would print the article in the Posel.

In this issue of the Posel we have a new insurance product, the 'Final Expense' and also for a limited time a 5 Year Annuity. There are brief descriptions of both products in this issue, but for additional information contact our office at (216)341-0444 on Monday-Friday 8am -3pm.

We hope all our members are doing well through these circumstances that we are currently enduring, We believe that this will be going on for a while. Please 'Stay Safe'!

Fraternally, Theresa Aveni President

5 Year Annuity Promo

For a limited time CCU Life is offering a 5 Year Annuity at 3.5%. Here's how it works. For any member opening a new Annuity, you will earn 3.5% for the first year, then it reverts to the prevailing rate for years 2 - 5. This is only offered to insured members, so if you are not an insured member all you need to do is purchase a permanent life insurance policy.

For additional information please contact the CCU Life Home Office at (216) 341-0444 or email us at insurance@czechccu.org

Project Food Pantry (PFP)

Thank You to all that have donated. Food and monetary donations are still being accepted.

DROP OFF SITES (Please no expired items)

ILLINOIS: St. Raphael Catholic Church (1215 Modaff Road, Naperville, Illinois 60540)
IOWA; St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church (1224 Fifth Street SE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401)
MICHIGAN: Home Office
MISSOURI: Our Lady's Inn (4223 South Compton Avenue, St. Louis Missouri 63111)
OHIO: Home Office (Our Lady of Lourdes)
PENNSYLVANIA: St. Sebastian Church Site (311 Siebart Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237)

All monetary donations are to be sent to the Home Office. Editor's Note: Our Lady's Inn in St. Louis is the Women's Shelter listed in the July-August Posel. There are two locations, one in St. Louis City and one in St. Charles. Our donations are being sent to the city location on Compton Avenue. Sorry for the wrong name listed in the last issue.



New Home Office Hours

To make it more convenient for our members, we have changed our office hours as of September 1st.

Our new hours are Monday-Friday 8 AM - 3 PM

Under the current circumstances, for the safety and health of all our members, we ask all members to set up an appointment to come into the Home Office.

Thank you for your cooperation!

TO ALL MEMBERS

After our email blast and mass mailing, we had a handful of emails that were undeliverable and several envelopes returned. If you have not updated your email, please do so. Also, if you move, please notify us of your new address.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Establishing a Trust can simplify owning out-of-state property

Are you looking forward to spending time in your Florida home? Did you ever consider what would a happen with your out-of-state property if something happened to you? As people move around for work, school or recreation, they may come to purchase property outside of Ohio. It's important to understand how out-of-state property is handled upon death and what you can do now to provide direction and ease the process for loved ones.

Ancillary probate

Probate is the legal procedure for settling and transferring a person's estate, assets and debts. A state probate court only has authority and say over property in its jurisdiction so it can't issue orders for property in another state. Each state has its own rules regarding ancillary probate administration. In Ohio, ancillary probate is addressed in Chapter 2129 of the Ohio Revised Code. Typically, probate proceedings start in the County/State where the person resided (say Cuyahoga County, Ohio) and then a separate second (ancillary) probate is filed in the state where the other property is located (say Lee County, Florida). Ancillary administration is typically a shorter process then the administration in the county of the decedent's residence. Keep in mind that ancillary administration normally involves real estate, but may also be needed in the event a decedent had other property registered out of state, such as a boat, airplane or even livestock. This process can differ by state. Sometimes it's necessary to hire an attorney local to the out-ofstate property to assist with the process. Also, aspects like property size and location and where other family members are based can make ancillary probate costly and time-consuming. Having property in multiple states only adds complexity with various probate cases simultaneously occurring around the country.

An easier alternative

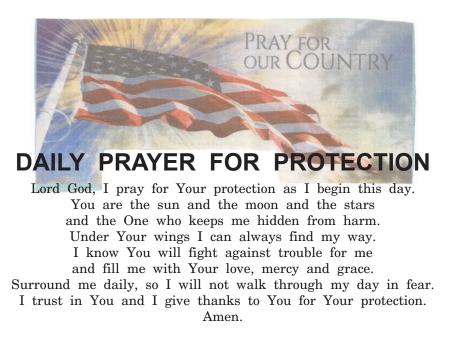
The ancillary probate process can be avoided, even if you own property in multiple states. One way is to transfer all out-of-state property before death such as through a joint tenant ownership in which the surviving owner absorbs the share of the decedent. Another option is to create a simple living trust to establish ownership of your real property along with any other assets you wish to include. A trust takes the property out of probate. The property remains in your name during life and avoids the probate process upon death because your successor trustee can just transfer it to your intended beneficiaries.

To learn more about trusts and ancillary probate and what options may be right for you, <u>contact</u> me today to set up a time to chat.

Please be advised that Christina M. Hronek is licensed to practice in the State of Ohio only and the information provided in this article is based upon Ohio law. This article is for informational purposes only and does not constitute legal advice.

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Note: Christina is the legal counsel for the Czech Catholic Union and has graciously offered to extend a 10% discount to any of our members who mention this article.



CLEVELAND, OHIO

Congratulations to Tom Stabile, a member of St. Joseph Society #156, who graduated Magna Cum Laude from Baldwin Wallace University, with a degree in Chemistry. The University is located in Berea, Ohio.



Tom Stabile



Belated Anniversary wishes are sent to Bob and Kathy Cermak, who celebrated their 50th anniversary on August 1st and to Arthur and Laverne Jedlinski, who celebrated their 65th anniversary on August 20th.

May you have many more years together!!! All are members of St. Joseph Society #156. October starts the St. Joseph Society #156 meetings held at the Home Office, 5349 Dolloff Road Cleveland, Ohio. All members are welcome to attend.

Sunday, October 11, 2020

Regular meeting beginning at 1:00 PM.

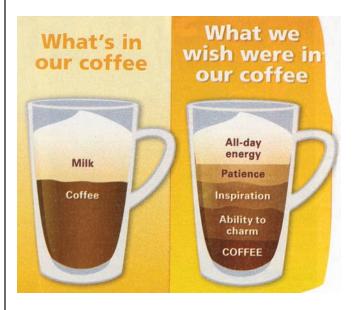
Sunday, November 8, 2020

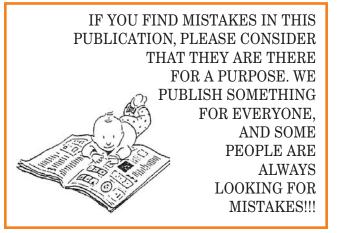
Regular meeting beginning at 1:00 PM with Memorial Service for deceased members of St. Joseph Society. A light luncheon will be served.

Sunday December 13, 2020

Regular meeting beginning at 1:00 PM with election of officers and adult Christmas party with optional \$10 gift exchange.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Because of Governor DeWine's mandates, please call the Home Office the week of the meeting to confirm the meeting will be held.





Are Passwords on their way out?

Passwords are a major part of our lives AND we have numerous (some say countless) amounts of them. They are the keys to our "electronic" locks. Trouble is, often times our keys are so easy to copy or guess, we might as well not have the locks!

Why do we need and have so many different passwords?

Because almost every one of the sites requiring a password has a different rule set for creating a password. Many require an uppercase character or a lowercase character or must have a number or must have a special character AND cannot be a password you have chosen in the past 45 years! Because we have so many sites where we need passwords, we try to make it

easy for us to remember them. However, if it's easy for us to remember, it's easy for the bad guys to guess. The most common passwords are: Password, Password123, admin, welcome, QWERTY, QWERTY1234, 123456, 111111 and 123123.

So what do many of us do with our passwords so we remember them? We write them down on sticky notes and keep them close to our computer! Or we write them in a notes area on our phone for easy reference. Worse yet, we tell our apps to simply remember them so when we use the app, the password is already there! Sure hope no one comes near your computer or sure hope you don't lose or misplace your phone.

So the trick is to come up with a way that is easy to remember your password and make it harder on "bad guys" so they don't break in. But bad guys know all the common passwords and have access to sophisticated software programs designed to "guess" your password. How can I, a simple human being, match wits with a computer? Let me demonstrate. It's a numbers game!

Let's make a simple password comprised of two numbers only. How many combinations of this password are there? In this example, we have a password length of 2 and we know that numbers consist of 0 through 9, hence 10 different numbers. So the formula is 10 to the 2nd power, 10 times 10 =100. There are 100 combinations.

Stay with me now, contrast that with a password consisting of two alphabetic characters only. Now how many combinations? There are 26 characters in the alphabet and we again have a password length of 2. So, mathematically, the formula is 26 to the 2nd power, 26 times 26 = 676. There are 676 combinations. Hence, a much harder password to guess.



Passwords comprised of alphabetic letters are much more difficult to guess than numeric numbers.

But computers can guess passwords at a vastly faster rate as they can perform millions of calculations every second. How can anyone outwit a computer? The answer is, are you ready, PassPhrases!

Yes a phrase is generally longer than a word and therefore is statistically, much more difficult to guess, even for a computer. So, if your PassPhrase is "TheBlueJacketsAreMyTeam", then using the formula described above, the chances of someone or some computer program guessing your password is 26 to the 23rd power (the password length is 23) yielding a 33 digit number, or one in 350,025,714,498,220,057,526,153,130,908,005 chances of guessing your password. WOW! Even our national debt is not that large.

Now, using "special characters" like the"!", "\$", "(", ")" and the scores of others, will also make it increasingly difficult to guess a password, but for the sake of brevity and explanation, I did not use them in this article.

In conclusion, use your longer (18-25 characters) PassPhrases for very important accounts like your bank and brokerage accounts and use slightly shorter (15-17 characters) PassPhrases for other not as important accounts like SATTELITE RADIO, FANTASY FOOTBALL or CABLE TV accounts. In all cases, try to use a PassPhrase consisting of at least 15 characters.

Allen Perk CEO, XLN SYSTEMS

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Allen Perk is a lifelong of St. Joseph Society #156

SWEETEST PHRASES IN THE WORLD

I LOVE YOU. SLEEP TILL NOON. IT'S QUITTING TIME. YOU'VE LOST WEIGHT. DINNER IS SERVED. KEEP THE CHANGE. I'LL DO IT, MOM. YOU SIT DOWN. SURE, I'LL VOLUNTEER. IT'S NICE NOT TO HAVE TO WAIT FOR A REPAIRMAN. YOU'RE A GOOD DAD. YOU BRIGHTEN MY DAY SON. WHERE DID YOU LEARN TO DO THAT SO WELL? I'LL BUY IT OUT OF MY OWN MONEY. I GASSED YOUR CAR. I'M GLAD I HAVE A DAUGHTER LIKE YOU. LET'S VISIT YOUR MOTHER. THIS PARISH IS GREAT. THAT WAS A GOOD DINNER MOM. I WROTE TO GRANDMA. I'M NOT GOING. THOSE GUYS ARE TOO WILD FOR ME. YOU'RE THE BEST FRIEND ANYONE COULD HAVE. CAN I DO IT FOR YOU? LET'S CELEBRATE.



More than 70 years ago, the board game Candy Land was dreamed up. Eleanor Abbott, a San Diego schoolteacher who contracted polio in 1948, saw first hand how many kids felt isolated and bored inside the iron lungs that helped them breathe in hospital wards. She invented Candy Land to cheer and distract them and also entertain children quarantined in their homes. Children loved the game so much, the Milton Bradley Company snapped it up and it has been selling by the millions ever since. One of the most popular games ever invented, Candy Land got its start during a time of mass confinement.

ANGELS

Angels are the guardians of hope and wonder.

Angels are the keepers of magic and dreams.

Angels watch over you wherever you go, keeping each day perfect.

The motto of all angels is "it's a wonderful life".

Angels help you carry the ball, carry a tune, carry your weight and carry on!!!

Angels keep the world safe for hummingbirds and butterflies and rainbows in spring.

Angels keep it simple and always travel light.

Angels love whispering secrets and whistling in the dark.

Angels carry high-beam lights to help you through the darkest hours.

Angels know that love is the only four- letter word.

We are always "angels on call" for a friend.

Remember to leave space in your relationships so the angels have room to play.

Every time you hear a bell, another angel has earned its wings.

Keep a spare angel in your pocket.

Wherever there is love, an angel is flying by.

Whenever you hear music, an angel is speaking to you.

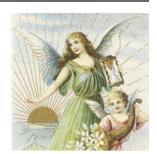
Whenever you feel lonely, a special angel drops in for tea.

Your guardian angel knows you inside and out and loves you just the way you are.

Angels are with you every step of the way.

After all, we are angels in training.

All we have to do is spread our wings and fly.



2020 High School Grant Recipients

| NAME | SOCIETY | HIGH SCHOOL | CITY, STATE |
|-----------------------------|---------|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| Josiah Brezina | 145 | Aquinas | David City, NE |
| Alex Dell | 145 | St. Ignatius | Cleveland, OH |
| Xavier Fiala | 145 | Aquinas | David City, NE |
| Angela George | 145 | Archbishop Hoban | Akron, OH |
| Alyssa Grycan | 156 | Padua Franciscan | Parma, OH |
| Kate Kleinigger | 7 | Rosati-Kain | St. Louis, MO |
| | 127 | Aquinas | David City, NE |
| Brett Kobza John Krakora | 156 | Trinity | Garfield Hts., OH |
| Isaac Lee | 7 | St. Louis Priory | St. Louis, MO |
| Tabitha Lee | 7 | Cor Jesu Academy | St. Louis, MO |
| John Nemmers | 46 | St. Edmond | Fort Dodge, IA David City, NE |
| Aubrey Novacek | 145 | Aquinas | Lisle, IL |
| Daniel O'Malley | 143 | Benet Academy | |
| Ryann O'Malley | 143 | Benet Academy | Lisle, IL |
| Phillip Skipper | 1 | Benedictine | Cleveland, OH |
| Margaret Svec | 127 | Aquinas | David City, NE |
| Joelle Thomas | 156 | Notre Dame Academy | Toledo, OH |
| Daniel Veselsky | 156 | St. Henry | Erlanger, KY |
| Rebecca Vober | 10 | Archbishop Hoban | Akron, OH |
| Lillian Wesely | 127 | Pius X | Lincoln, NE |

2020 College Grant Recipients

| NAME | SOCIETY | COLLEGE | CITY,STATE |
|-----------------------|---------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Jackson Blietz | 119 | Our Lady of the Lake University | San Antonio, TX |
| Victoria Criswell | 11 | John Carroll University | University Hts., OH |
| Elizabeth DeWispelare | 127 | Benedictine | Atchison, KS |
| Natalie Drockton | 156 | John Carroll University | University Hts., OH |
| Justine Hershberger | 145 | Mercyhurst University | Erie, PA |
| Veronica Kobza | 127 | College of St. Mary | Omaha, NE |
| Halle Mihacevich | 145 | Mercyhurst University | Erie, PA |
| Madeleine Nemmers | 46 | Franciscan University | Steubenville, OH |
| Lia Reckmeyer | 46 | Benedictine | Atchison, KS |

Donations made at Executive Board Meeting - 2020 (No Annual Meeting this year)

Benedictine High School, Cleveland, OH — St. John Nepomucene Scholarship Fund Cardinal Beran Czech School, Brookfield, IL Cedar Rapids Czech School, Cedar Rapids, IA Czech Mission – Rev. Dusan Hladik, Brookfield, IL National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library, Cedar Rapids, IA Notre Dame – Cathedral Latin High School, Chardon, OH Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Cleveland, OH – Rev. Joseph Callahan Rev. Anton Kocurek – Czech Catholic Mission, Forest Hills, NY St. Andrew Abbey, Cleveland, OH St. Procopius Abbey, Lisle, IL Velehrad California Czech Catholic Mission (VCCCM), Placentia, CA



HOVEZI SEKANINA (BEEF LOAF)

3 lbs. of finely minced or ground beef¼ lb. of finely minced bacon3 heaping T. of grated bread crumbs soaked in milk3 beaten eggs

Mix together thoroughly. Add salt, pepper and sage. Grease a baking pan with butter. Form a loaf of the meat. Sprinkle grated breadcrumbs on top. Bake at 350 degrees for 2 ½ or 3 hours, basting occasionally with melted butter. May be served hot or cold.



AUTUMN PUMPKIN BREAD

1-½ cups sugar
1 cup canola oil
3 eggs, slightly beaten
1 (15 ounce) can pumpkin
3 cups flour (whole-wheat or white)
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon cinnamon
¼ teaspoon baking powder
½ teaspoon ground nutmeg
¾ teaspoon salt
½ cup chopped walnuts (optional)

Beat sugar and oil using electric hand mixer. Add eggs and pumpkin; beat lightly. Add all dry ingredients and mix well. Add nuts (if desired) and stir to mix. Divide batter between 2 loaf pans lightly sprayed with cooking spray. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 to 45 minutes until done. Let cool and serve.

RUMOVA BAKBOVKA (BABA AU RUM) GRANDMA'S RUM CAKE

4 egg yokes
2 T. sugar
½ cup soft butter
3 cups flour, sifted with 1 t. salt & 2 t. baking powder
¾ cup warm milk
1 t. grated orange rind

Beat egg yolks, sugar and butter until thick and fluffy. Add flour and milk alternately. Continue beating. Add orange rind. Pour into greased bundt pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes.

Syrup mixture 1 cup sugar ½ cup water ½ cup orange juice 3 T. rum

Cook sugar with water to a heavy syrup. Add rum and orange juice. Remove cake from pan and pour syrup over while still hot. Let cool before cutting.



"I think it's called a not-so-smart phone"

In Appreciation ...

Thank you...

St. Ludmila, Society #46- "Thank you for the college grant and for helping me continue my Catholic education at Franciscan University of Steubenville. Franciscan University is one of the greatest things to happen to me. I am able to learn and live my faith in a way I never had before. I also made great Catholic friendships that will last a lifetime. Thank you for your generosity!"

God Bless, Madeleine Nemmers

St. Ludmila, Society #46- "Thank you for allowing me to attend a Catholic school. Receiving a catholic education is very important to me and I appreciate your sponsorship so much. Thanks again." Sincerely, John Nemmers

St. Lucy, Society #127- "Thank you so much for the 8 years of financial support in my Catholic education! Your generosity has helped me receive such a valuable education, as well as continue growth in my Catholic faith. I have even chosen to teach for my career, hopefully in a Catholic school, so I can continue to experience Catholic education in a new way. Know of my prayers of gratitude."

In Christ, Lizzie DeWispelare

St. Lucy, Society #127- "To whom it may concern. Thank you for the scholarship money that goes to our Catholic education. It is greatly appreciated!"

Sincerely, Veronica and Brett Kobza

Home Office, Society #145- "Thank you for the monetary assistance with my tuition at my Catholic High School. It is appreciated."

Sincerely, Josiah Brezina

In Appreciation...

Benedictine High School, Cleveland, Ohio- "Thank you for your generous gift. Your support makes a profound difference in allowing young men the opportunity to receive a Benedictine education in which they deserve. Your support provides experiences and opportunities that are unmatched. Thank you for your continued commitment to the Benedictine High School's mission."

Yours in Benedictine, Mr. Chris Lorber '04, Vice President of Advancement

National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library, Cedar Rapids, Iowa- "On behalf of the board of directors, members, and staff at the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library, I would like to personally thank you for your contribution. Please know how much we appreciate your financial support of the museum and our programs. With your help, we will continue to offer innovative programs and activities to enrich the lives of thousands of adults and children. The NCSML is extremely vibrant and growing. Support from our members and friends is more important than ever as we continue to offer engaging programming, new exhibits, and community events in fulfillment of our mission."

Yours truly, Jim Miller, Vice President for Development & Marketing

Notre Dame Schools, Chardon, Ohio- "Thank you for honoring our mission. Your gift to the NDCL Fund ensures that quality Catholic education endures and makes possible innovative programming to ready our students for an ever-changing world. Thank you for your partnership with us and for your investment in our students and school. May you continue to know the blessings of our Good and Provident God."

Sincerely, Michael Bates, Ed.D., President

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Cleveland, Ohio- "Many, many thanks for the generous donation from your Annual Executive Board Meeting. We will use it for the renovation of the Stations of the Cross. Many, many thanks for the generous monetary donation to be used to buy items for our Food Pantry. We were also so grateful for and overwhelmed by the amount of food that you collected for us. The Food Pantry helps many in need and could not do so without help such as this. May God continue to bless you and your efforts."

Sincerely, Rev. Joseph Callahan, Pastor

Saint Andrew Svorad Abbey, Cleveland, Ohio- "On behalf of the monks of St. Andrew Abbey, thank you for your generous contribution. Your donation allows us to continue to live by and preserve our defining characteristics of 'Ora et Labora' and community. We thank you again for your commitment to St. Andrew Abbey. As St. Benedict says in his Holy Rule, be sure that in 'all things God may be glorified.' God Bless you all."

Peace, Rt. Rev. Gary A. Hoover, OSB, Abbot

St. Procopius Abbey, Lisle, Illinois- "We are sorry that it took so long to thank you for your donation. We monks are quarantined also and so we are short on staff. Every day we include in our prayers an end to this pandemic. We hope and pray that you and your family are safe. The monks of St. Procopius Abbey thank you for your thoughtful and generous donation to support our ministry of prayer and service on behalf of God's people. We will pray for you and we ask that you pray for us also. May God Bless you always."

Sincerely yours in Christ, Abbot Austin G. Murphy, OSB



Happy Labor Day!



The first unofficial observance came in September 1882 in New York City, when 20,000 unionized workers marched in a parade to show support for their organization. Soon parades sprang up in other cities.

By 1887, Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York and Oregon made Labor Day a state holiday.

Peter J. McGuire, a 19th century union bigwig, and others began demanding a "general holiday for the laboring classes" across the nation, and the movement picked up steam.

In June 1894, President Grover Cleveland declared Labor Day a September national holiday.

"Far and away the best prize that life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing." – Thomas Jefferson

Remember September 11th



September 13th



Saint Ludmila

St. Ludmila Feastday is September 16th

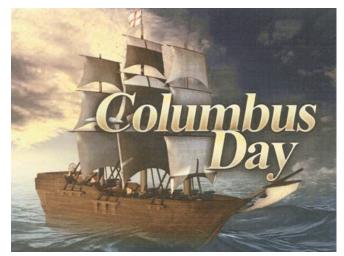


WENCESLAS SQUARE (Vaclavske Namesti)



Wenceslas Square is one of the main city squares and the center of the business and cultural communities in the New Town of Prague in the Czech Republic. Formerly known as Konsky Trh (Horse Market) for its periodic accommodation of horse markets during the Middle Ages, in 1848, it was renamed Svatovaclavske Namesti (Saint Wenceslas Square) after St. Wenceslas, the patron saint of Bohemia. St. Wenceslas Feastday is September 28th.

COLUMBUS DAY



October 12

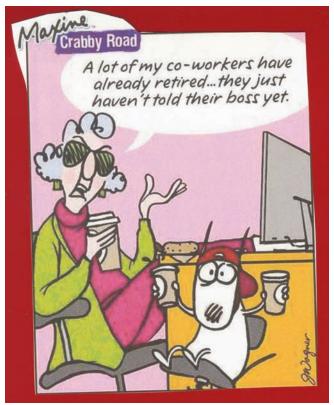
St. Francis of Assisi



Feastday is October 4

NATIONAL BOSS DAY

Friday, October 16 is a day for employees to thank their bosses for being kind and fair throughout the year.



October 16

HALLOWEEN COMES TO AMERICA



As the beliefs and customs of different European ethnic groups, as well as the American Indians, meshed, a distinctly American version of Halloween began to emerge. The first celebrations included "play parties," public events held to celebrate the harvest, where neighbors would share stories of the dead, tell each other's fortunes, dance and sing.

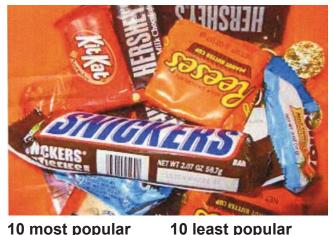
Colonial Halloween festivities also featured the telling of ghost stories and mischief-making of all kinds. By the middle of the 19th century, annual autumn festivities were common, but Halloween was not yet celebrated everywhere in the country. In the second half of the 19th century, America was flooded with new immigrants. These new immigrants, especially the millions of Irish fleeing the Irish Potato Famine, helped to popularize the celebration nationally.

BOBBING FOR APPLES



Halloween has come to be most closely assoicated with the pumpkin, but apples have played an important role in its history.

Bobbing for apples became a popular party game. People would dunk their heads in a vat of water and try to bite into floating fruit in a quest to figure out their future spouse. Ladies would mark an apple and toss it into the tub. The thinking was they'd be destined to marry whoever pulled it out of the water.



10 most popular Halloween candies

- 1. Reese's Peanut Butter Cup
- 2. Snickers candy bar
- 3. Twix
- 4. Kit Kat
- 5. M&M's
- 6. Nerds
- 7. Butterfinger
- 8. Sour Patch Kids
- 9. Skittles
- 10. Hershey bar

- Halloween candies
- 1. Circus Peanuts
- 2. Candy corn
- 3. Wax Coke bottles
- 4. Necco wafers
- 5. Peanut Butter Kisses
- 6. Tootsie Rolls
- 7. Smarties
- 8. Licorice
- 9. Good & Plenty
- 10. Mary Janes

20 HORROR MOVIES



Movies that have influenced the movie industry and the year they came out.

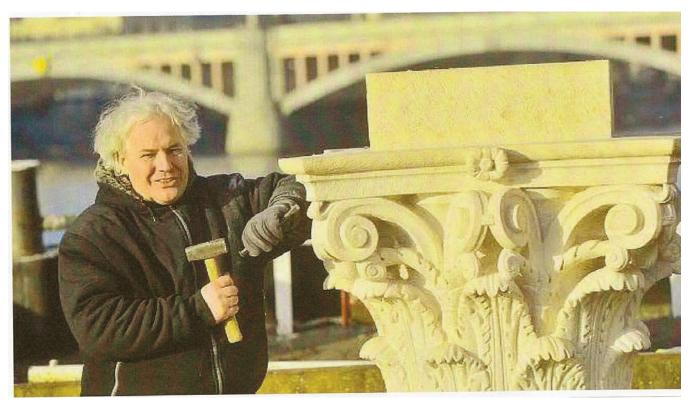
Frankenstein (1910) Nosferatu (1922) King Kong (1933) Godzilla (1954) Psycho (1960) Night of the Living Dead (1968) Rosemary's Baby (1968) The Exorcist (1973) The Texas Chain Saw Maassacre (1974) Carrie (1976) Halloween (1978) Alien (1979) The Shining (1980) Poltergeist (1982) A Nightmare on Elm Street (1984) Ringu (Ring) (1998) The Blair Witch Project (1999) Saw (2004) It Follows (2014) It (2017)

STATUE OF MARY ONCE AGAIN OVERLOOKS CITY OF PRAGUE



The Virgin Mary statue on top of a 55 feet column overlooks Prague's Old Town Square. It was erected in 1652 after Prague was spared at the end of the Thirty Years' War. WWI brought about the collapse of the Astro-Hungarian Empire. Bohemia became part of the indpendent country, Czechoslovakia in 1918. The next month, the column with the statue was toppled by a group of radicals. Shortly after the split of Czechoslovakia into the Czech Republic and Slovakia, sculptor Petr Vana started his campaign to restore the statue.

This past June, a replica of a historic statue of Mary was erected in Prague. The column was erected to "The singing of Marian songs, the ringing of bells on the tower of the Mother of God in front of Tyn Church and the applause of the people present."



Petr Vana

PORK, SAUERKRAUT, AND DUMPLINGS



Give them the recipe for pork/dumplings/sauerkraut so they'll leave us in peace.

1 sparerib chopped in serving pieces or slices of pork shoulder 1 tsp. caraway seed 1 large can sauerkraut

Salt

Dumplings:

3 medium potatoes, grated Flour 1 egg 1 level Tbsp. salt

Put spareribs in roaster with tight fitting cover; add salt and caraway seed. Roast 1 hour at 375°. Add sauerkraut and 2 cups warm water and bake for another 30 minutes. In the meantime, grate potatoes; drain off the liquid. Add egg and 1 tablespoon salt. Beat, then add enough flour to make a dough that would form a dumpling when scooped with a spoon. Lower oven to 350°. Make indentations in the sauerkraut and place a large tablespoon of the dough on it. Repeat, placing dumplings next to each other. Cover. Roast for 30 minutes.

ANTONIN HOLY

Antonin Holy was a pioneering Czech scientist born on September 1, 1936. He specialized in the field of chemistry and cooperated on the development of important antiretroviral drugs used in the treatment of HIV and Hepatitis B. Antonin died in the Czech Republic on July 16, 2012.







Shromáždění Českých Katolická pri Národní Slavnosti dne 3 zari 1917 v Raus Parku

National Day of the Czech Catholic Assembly September 3, 1917 in Raus Park, Newburgh Heights

> Newburgh Heights is a suburb of Cleveland. This park is very close to the Home Office.

JOSEF BICAN

Josef Bican was a Czech Austrian professional footballer, born on September 25, 1913 in Vienna, Austria. As a footballer, he played as a striker. Josef was considered one of the most prolific goal scorers of all time. He played from 1933-1949. It is estimated that he scored at least 762 goals. Josef Bican died on December 12, 2001 in Prague.



BOHEMIAN CROWN JEWELS



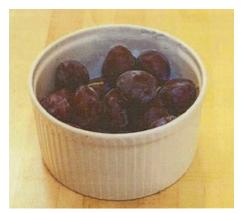
These jewels, sometimes called the Czech Crown Jewels (Ceske Korunovacni Klenoty), include the Saint Wenceslas Crown (Svatovaclavska Koruna), the coronation orb and sceptre from the first half of the 16th century, the coronation vestment of the Kings of Bohemia, the coronation cross, the

St. Wenceslas' sword and other artifacts. The jewels are locked, with seven locks, behind a studded door in the corner of the Saint Wenceslas Chapel in Saint Vitus Cathedral in Prague. The head of state holds one of the seven keys. The others are kept by the Prime Minister, the Archbishop of Prague, the chairmen of the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate, the representative of the Metropolitan Chapter and the Mayor of Prague. The most important item is the royal crown, which future King of Bohemia and Holy Roman Emperor Charles IV ordered for his coronation in September 1347. After his reign, it came to adorn the heads of another 21 kings and queens of Bohemia. The last of these was Habsburg Emperor Ferdinand V, known as Ferdinand the Good, who was crowned with it on September 7, 1836.

The crown jewels are only displayed on exceptional occasions such as an anniversary of the founding of Czechoslovakia, an anniversary of the birth of the Czech Republic or the election of a new president.



SLIVOVICE (PLUM BRANDY)



Czech slivovice is among the finest in the world, whether it's made in a distillery in Hana that dates back to 1518, or is made in the cellar and allowed to age. Plums are collected in the fall, set in barrels, and allowed to ferment naturally with just the yeast and the sugars in the fruit. In the spring, this mixture is distilled to 100% purity and send diluted to 50 percent alcohol by volume (ABV).

Nothing is added except water. This process requires a large amount of plums, and the climate and soil must be right so that the trees produce a lot of sweet fruit. The Hana region has become synonymous with dark rich soil, a bountiful harvest, and quality produce. It's the ideal region to produce slivovice. In fact, the slivovice from this area is a highly prized commodity which is treasured so much in the country that very few bottles make it out.

It's believed that a small shot every morning will kill bacteria and keep you healthy. It's widely recommended in the winter, with tea and honey. Among other claims, it's said that a little slivovice after fatty food will dissolve the fat and grease in your stomach. In some towns, visitors are welcomed with bread and salt and a shot of slivovice instead of wine.



MUSHROOMS IN CZECH CUISINE



Mushrooms-houby — is an ingredient that has a special place in Czech food.

You can't buy these mushrooms in the supermarket; they are field mushrooms or champignons, mainly several kinds of edible fungi, of the kind known as boletus — hrib.

Czechs are passionate mushroom pickers and many recognize dozens of edible mushrooms from which they can prepare all sorts of tasty meals.

The houbova smazenice — a mushroom stir fry, is a typical supper that people cook right after they've come back from the forest. You peel the mushrooms, slice them and fry them in butter, with salt, pepper and caraway seeds. Many people also add eggs into the mix.

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Baked Mushrooms

large mushrooms salt and pepper bread squares parsley butter

Remove stems and wipe mushroom caps thoroughly. Cut squares of bread a little larger than mushrooms; butter squares and season with salt and pepper; sprinkle with parsley. Place mushroom caps on buttered squares of bread and heat in 350 degree oven for 5 minutes. Remove from oven and put a dab of butter on top of each. Return to oven and bake for an additional 15-20 minutes.

KAREL HASLER



Karel Hasler was a Czech actor, songwriter, film and theater director, composer and lyricist, born on October 31, 1879 in Prague. Karel studied to be a glove-maker, but became interested in theater at a young age. In 1902 he became a member of the Slovenian theater in Ljubljana, but soon moved back to Prague, where he joined the National Theatre. During World War I he began to appear in silent films, as an actor, director and author. Among his most successful film roles were the lawyer and deputy, Uher in the drama film Batalion (The Battalion, 1927), and the organist in Varhanik u sv. Vita (Organist at St. Vitus Cathedral, 1929). With the sound films coming out in the 1930s, Hasler was able to utilize his singing skills. His first sound film role Pisnickar (Balladeer, 1932), he sang patriotic songs Svoboda (Freedom) and Ta nase pisnicka ceska (Our Czech Song), among others. From 1932 to 1941 Hasler played in more than 13 films. In September 1941, he was arrested by the Gestapo and sent to the Mauthausen Concentration Camp. The main reason for his arrest was his patriotic songs. In Mauthausen, Karel Hasler was tortured to death and died on December 22,1941.



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| Age | Male | Female |
|-----|---------|---------|
| 20 | \$14.11 | \$12.62 |
| 21 | \$14.48 | \$12.97 |
| 22 | \$14.86 | \$13.33 |
| 23 | \$15.25 | \$13.71 |
| 24 | \$15.65 | \$14.09 |
| 25 | \$16.07 | \$14.50 |
| 26 | \$16.51 | \$14.91 |
| 27 | \$16.96 | \$15.34 |
| 28 | \$17.44 | \$15.79 |
| 29 | \$17.93 | \$16.24 |
| 30 | \$18.43 | \$16.72 |
| 31 | \$18.95 | \$17.21 |
| 32 | \$19.49 | \$17.71 |
| 33 | \$20.04 | \$18.23 |
| 34 | \$20.60 | \$18.76 |
| 35 | \$21.18 | \$19.30 |
| 36 | \$21.77 | \$19.86 |
| 37 | \$22.37 | \$20.44 |
| 38 | \$22.99 | \$21.03 |
| 39 | \$23.62 | \$21.65 |
| 40 | \$24.27 | \$22.28 |
| 41 | \$24.94 | \$22.95 |
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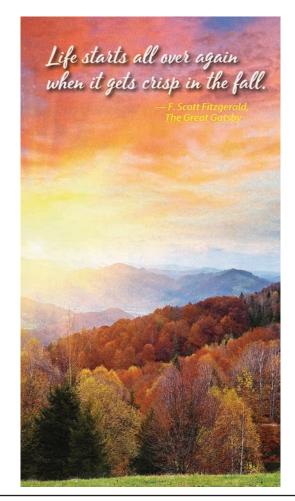
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| 46 | \$28.72 | \$26.65 |
| 47 | \$29.58 | \$27.47 |
| 48 | \$30.49 | \$28.32 |
| 49 | \$31.43 | \$29.21 |
| 50 | \$32.41 | \$30.14 |
| 51 | \$33.44 | \$31.10 |
| 52 | \$34.52 | \$32.10 |
| 53 | \$35.65 | \$33.14 |
| 54 | \$36.84 | \$34.24 |
| 55 | \$38.09 | \$35.38 |
| 56 | \$39.40 | \$36.57 |
| 57 | \$40.78 | \$37.82 |
| 58 | \$42.24 | \$39.13 |
| 59 | \$43.78 | \$40.51 |
| 60 | \$45.41 | \$41.97 |
| 61 | \$47.13 | \$43.50 |
| 62 | \$48.96 | \$45.12 |
| 63 | \$50.92 | \$46.84 |
| 64 | \$53.01 | \$48.67 |
| 65 | \$55.27 | \$50.62 |
| 66 | \$57.72 | \$52.72 |
| 67 | \$60.40 | \$54.97 |
| 68 | \$63.32 | \$57.41 |
| 69 | \$66.53 | \$60.05 |
| 70 | \$70.03 | \$62.94 |

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PAYMENTS OF MORTUARY DEATH CLAIMS

The Czech Catholic Union extends its sincerest sympathies to the bereaved families of the following deceased members:

| | | | | Date of | Date of | |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------|------------|------------|-----|
| Name | Location | Soc. Name | No. | Issue | Death | Age |
| Lucille Palley | Cleveland, OH | St. Ann | 11 | 07-01-1934 | 08-20-2019 | 90 |
| Dr. George J. Svejda | New York, NY | St. Ludmila | 2 | 01-01-1988 | 04-29-2020 | 93 |
| Gary Kondelik | Cleveland, OH | St. Joseph | 156 | 05-01-1959 | 05-06-2020 | 75 |
| Karen Vlasek | Cedar Rapids, IA | Blessed Virgin Mary | 119 | 12-01-1967 | 03-06-2020 | 75 |
| Carol Ashcraft | Cleveland, OH | St. Ann | 1 | 02-01-1950 | 06-12-2020 | 79 |
| Olga Jahn | Pittsburgh, PA | St. Ann | 16 | 02-01-1950 | 07-02-2020 | 92 |
| | TOTAL DEATH | CLAIMS PAID 202 | 0 \$75. | 698.00 | | |