

AMERICAN SOKOL NATIONAL AWARDS 2025





American Sokol Awards Program (Est. 2017)

"Inside every human being is a desire to be recognized. Anyone in any organization who strives to do their best is not only trying to succeed, but they are also feeling this desire."

In 2017, American Sokol and Brother Rome Milan established a National Awards program designed to properly recognize, thank, honor and reward those who make or have made a meaningful difference in the Sokol organizations on either International, National, District or local level. Individuals will be awarded for outstanding service in individual events and for extended service to the organization. This Sokol awards program may be supplemented on the District or Unit level. Many individuals could be honored at any time during the year. Eligible should be any member or individual, unit, district, organization, contributor, sponsor, supporter, volunteer that has contributed to the enhancement of the American Sokol and its programs or projects. The minimum requirement for most Sokol awards is that the recipient must have been a youth (or equivalent), voting or non-voting or honorary member. There are other awards that do not include requirements as a Sokol member.

The results of this program will encourage excitement, generate enthusiasm and satisfaction, create pride, affect ingenuity, improve performance, maintain retention and spark vision.

List of National Awards

1. Jindřich Fügner Service Award
2. Frank Kriz Sports Achievement Award
3. Tomáš Garrigue Masaryk Leadership Award
4. James Čihák Distinguished Service Award
5. Dr. Miroslav Tyrš Honor Award – American Sokol Hall of Fame

The American Sokol National Awards



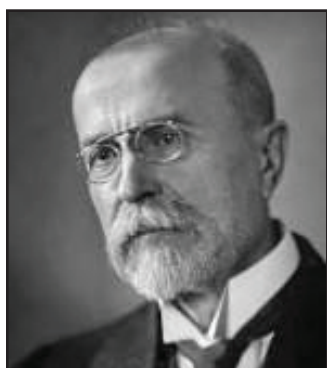
THE JINDŘICH FÜGNER SERVICE AWARD

An award given to any member. This member must be an individual who has demonstrated good character, diplomacy, a positive attitude, good judgment, exemplary qualities, and extraordinary **service** to the American Sokol. Receiving a Jindřich Fügner Award is not something for which a member can work or plan. The Jindřich Fügner Award should be overdue rather than premature, but tenure alone is never an adequate criterion.



THE FRANK KŘÍŽ ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

An award given to any member. This member is an individual who has demonstrated good character, diplomacy, a positive attitude, good judgment, exemplary qualities, and extraordinary **achievement in sports** associated with the American Sokol programs. The Frank Kříž Award should be a mark of extraordinary achievement recognized by leaders, coaches and peers, but tenure alone is never an adequate criterion.



THE TOMÁŠ GARRIGUE MASARYK LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Tomáš Garrigue Masaryk Award may be given to individuals who have performed extraordinary service, dedication and achievement as a **leader** to American Sokol over an extended period of time. This is distinguished by exceptional devotion and outstanding service as a leader to American Sokol's vision and mission.



THE JAMES ČIHÁK DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The James Čihák Award is to be given to active members of American Sokol or nonmembers who have completed extraordinary and **distinguished service** to support a local unit, District or National program.

The American Sokol National Awards

THE AMERICAN SOKOL HALL OF FAME DR. MIROSLAV TYRŠ HONOR AWARD

The highest award of American Sokol.



A place where **a true legacy of Sokol**, a Gymnastic pioneer, Olympian, mentor, champion, innovator, and trendsetter are remembered for eternity by the Sokol community. This recipient must have brought a distinguished notoriety to the Sokol name. A member or past member who has truly marked or changed the History of Sokol in a positive way.

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THE JINDŘICH FÜGNER SERVICE AWARD



Sokol St. Louis has nominated Sister Mary Ann Sulz for the The Jindřich Fügner Service Award.

Sister Mary Ann Sulz is a life-long member of **Sokol St. Louis** and her contributions and service to our unit have encompassed all phases of her life. Sister Mary Ann began as a young gymnast and continued throughout years attending gym classes and competing at Slets. Mary Ann was a gym instructor for many years teaching countless Junior Girls Classes. She married a Czech and together they immersed themselves in our organization. She brought her young boys to gym class, Sokol Children's Camping and other activities and continued the involvement with her grandchildren.

She was a Camp Counselor at our Sokol Camp for many years and positively influenced and engaged many generations of young Sokols. She served as the President for Sokol St. Louis on three separate occasions. She also impacted

the American-Czech Educational Center serving as a Board Delegate for many years. She has worked our Chicken Dinners, Bingos, Picnics, sang with our Singing Groups and so much more. She is a founding member of the Czech School Board, running classes, chairing booths at our Czech Festivals and organizing St. Nick celebrations. She also works on the unit Archives preserving our history for future generations.

Her hours of service to our unit and the American Sokol are immeasurable and for all these reasons and many more she is most deserving of the Jindřich Fügner Service Award.



Rhonda Liska is a lifetime member of **Sokol Karel Havlicek Borovsky** in Ennis, Texas. At age 10, she started in its gymnastic program and participated in her first American Sokol Slet in 1977. In addition, she was lifeguard at the Sokol KHB pool, played volleyball as a teen and adult for Sokol and attended instructor schools and numerous district, national and international slets.

Rhonda served as Sokol KHB Director of Women from 1989 to 1994 and was a member of its Board of Trustees for 8 years. At the district level, she has been the Southern District Secretary since 1987. Rhonda was Secretary of American Sokol from 2000 to 2005 and has been on the Executive Board as Bylaws Chairman since 2018. Having participated in many American Sokol Conventions, she served as secretary in 1990 and represented the Southern District on the Convention Bylaws Committee where she was secretary in 1995, 2000, 2005,

2010, and 2014. Rhonda continues as Southern District Secretary as well as serving on the Membership and Bylaws Committees of the American Sokol. Rhonda is a Certified Professional Landman in the Oil and Gas Industry and holds a Master of Jurisprudence from Texas A&M School of Law.

The Executive Board of the Southern District is honoring Rhonda with the Jindřich Fügner Service Award for her many years of dedicated service.

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Mary Steinman is a lifelong member of **Sokol Fort Worth**. Starting at a young age in the gymnastic program, Mary, alongside her Milan family members, has spent countless hours in support of Sokol Fort Worth, the District and the National Executive Board.

Mary has served as National Executive Board Treasurer and American Sokol Second Vice-President. She was the treasurer for the 1981 and 2009 National Slets that were held in Texas. Mary has also been the Southern District Treasurer for 40 years and has regularly attended District, National and International Slets. Currently Mary is an administrator for the Sokol Fort Worth gymnastics program which is enjoying substantial growth and recognition in the community.

One of Mary's fondest memories is riding a horse on Morton West Field in a Sokol Fort Worth special number during a Chicago National Slet. Mary continues to serve the organization with dedication and enthusiasm. The Executive Board of the Southern District wishes to honor Mary with this well-deserved Jindřich Fügner Service Award.



Sokol Chicagoland has nominated **Frank Michalek** for the Jindřich Fügner Service Award. Frank started Sokol at the age of 5 at Sokol Havlicek Tyrš in Chicago. At the age of 13, he started assisting the 1st and 2nd class boys' classes. He was very successful in Sokol boys' gymnastics competitions and won many awards and trophies. During his college years, he accepted the position of Men's Physical Director at Sokol Havlicek Tyrš. After serving in the United States Marine Corps., he earned a Master's degree from George Williams College. He served on the Central District BOI for many years and was asked to be on the National Instructors' School Board and Staff. In 1990, he was elected National Physical Director for the whole United States. He was the American Sokol Gymnast Newsletter editor in the days before computers and emails.

In 1970, there was a merger of Sokol Chicago, Sokol Havlicek Tyrš, Sokol West Suburban, and Sokol Slavsky to form Chicagoland Sokol Building Association and Sokol Chicagoland. All units contributed money and came up with \$169,000 with which they purchased 10 acres of land. To make a long story short, the land was eventually sold and an existing business was purchased, Elite Sports Complex. Frank was instrumental in every step to get the initial land purchased, sold, and helped with negotiations with the owner of Elite. Frank continued to be on the Executive Board of Chicagoland Sokol Building Association which now owns the Elite business and property. He also continues to be on the Executive Board of Sokol Chicagoland.

During the 1980s and the early 1990s, Frank taught all Sokol Chicagoland Boys' classes and was the unit's Men's BOI Director. He has fostered the Sokol ideals by raising his three children in Sokol classes and five of his grandchildren also attended Sokol classes for several years.

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The **Eastern District** has nominated **Irene Suhrada Wynnyczuk** for The Jindřich Fügner Service Award. Irene Suhrada Wynnyczuk was born in 1929 in a Czech neighborhood on the upper east side of New York City where a friend took her to her first gymnastics class at Sokol New York at the age of 12. Within a few short years, she would attend two Sokol Instructor Schools and begin teaching Junior Girls classes which she would do for the next 17 years. In addition, she served as the Director of Women for the Unit for seven years and taught at several instructor schools. A highlight of her young life occurred in 1950 when she participated in an American Sokol "tour" that took her from Chicago to Ft. Worth and Los Angeles when Slets were staged.

In 1963 Irene married a Czech immigrant (Alex Wynnyczuk) whom she met at Sokol New York. In 1965 the couple moved 150 miles north of New York City to Troy, NY where Irene remains to this day. The distance prevented her from

regularly participating in activities at Sokol New York, however she soon began devoting her organizational and leadership skills to supporting Sokol at the District and National levels. She began taking on roles in the Eastern District in the 1980s, and in the 2000s began her involvement with the national organization which continues to this day. Irene's life was shaped by the ideals of Sokol and in turn she devoted a significant portion of her life to helping shape the organization. She is currently a healthy, happy 95-year-old who still does her calisthenics every morning.

Timeline of Sokol Service

- Inducted as a member of Sokol NY – 1946
- Gymnastics Instructor, Sokol NY – 1947 to 1964
- Director of Women, Sokol NY – 1952 to 1957, 1963 to 1964
- Director of Women, Eastern District – 1988 to 1994
- VP Membership, Eastern District – 1995
- Educator, Eastern District – 1996 to 2000
- National By Law Committee – 2000 to 2026
- Eastern District President – 2011 to 2024

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Sokol Spirit enthusiastically nominates **Sis. Meribeth Tooke** for the Fügner Service Award. Meribeth's name is definitely called to mind quickly when reflecting on exemplary service to the Sokol organization. Sister Tooke attended gym classes as a child, brought her own child to class, became a member of Sokol Brookfield in 1991 and attended classes as an adult as well. She's participated in many Slets, including multiple abroad.

At the unit level, she has served on the executive board in pretty much all capacities, including Vice President (2005–2007) and President (2007–2009). She has served as a delegate to some of our partner organizations such as Tabor Hills and Bohemian National Cemetery as well as the Central District (supporting there as Treasurer too). Meribeth continues to spearhead two programs at Spirit, our Czech movie nights and the annual Secret Santa item

drive. She volunteers for virtually all of our annual fundraising events, including the local farmer's market each summer.

Where her service has recently stood out is through her dedication to the American Sokol Foundation Committee. She's been integral in supporting the financial opportunities given to American Sokol units to help them survive and thrive through grant opportunities. The landscape of grant funding can be challenging and confusing and Meribeth has committed herself to ensuring deserving units get the support they need.

Meribeth displays her dedication to the mission of Sokol not only through the time she has devoted through her many formal positions but also in also going the extra mile with all of her commitments and is deserving of being honored with this service award.



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THE TOMÁŠ GARRIGUE MASARYK LEADERSHIP AWARD

For an award honoring exemplary leadership, service and dedication to American Sokol, **Sokol Spirit** insists on recognizing two of our most steadfast leaders through years of both stability and change—**Bro. Bernie and Sis. Ellie Babka**. Despite Ellie essentially being a “lifer”, and Bernie as an adult member, this duo were a team in which their devotion to the Sokol mission and vision could be felt for many years and in ways in the organization.



As with many Sokol histories, early on Bernie and Ellie’s centered around their children participating in the Sokol gym program. Learning spotting and coaching techniques, both Bernie and Ellie became involved in instructing and coaching youth quickly. At one time, between attending and teaching classes, the Babka family was at the gym 5–6 days a week! They also would go on to chaperone many Junior events including overnights and day trips, and provide their support as advisors in their fundraising ventures.

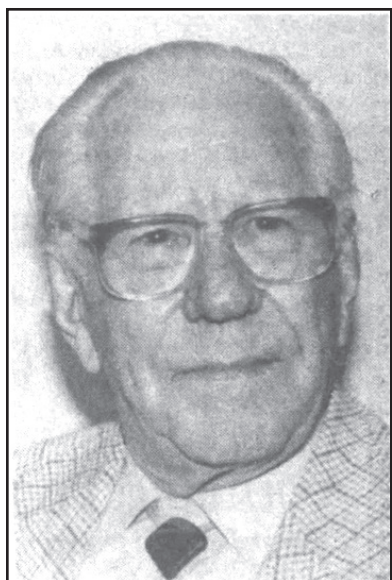
Ellie has held many different teaching roles in almost all of Sokol’s classes. Along with her role as Junior Board Advisor, she was also Women’s Director,

Membership Director for many years, and was on the National Sokol Board. Most notably Ellie took the reins of the co-ed senior class and continued the beloved class for many years. Aside from his contribution to the gym classes, Bernie was a strong leader in the Sokol Unit. He served as President at Sokol Slavsky and Berwyn-Slavsky. During challenging times in the organization, Ellie and Bernie were instrumental in keeping Sokol Slavsky alive by merging with other gyms. Sokol Berwyn was the first, and then eventually Sokol Brookfield to form what is now a strong Sokol Spirit organization.

Ellie’s passion for well executed calisthenics and marching made her a force that people took notice of. Bernie was a soft-spoken man, with a calm demeanor, but when he spoke people listened. Together, the Babka’s devotion to Sokol has cemented their legacy that we will not soon forget and we are happy to honor them with the T.G. Masaryk award.



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Josef Ondráček is nominated by **Sokol Milwaukee**.

A lifelong member of Sokol, he first engaged in gymnastics as a young boy in his hometown of Jaktář, then Kladno, Praha, and later, in Milwaukee. He remained deeply involved in cultural events and festivals, contributing by painting a Czech booth and taking part in annual cultural performances, dances, and plays.

He first entered compulsory military service in 1930 to 1932. During the war, he was actively part of the Czech resistance and underground. He was arrested several times by the Gestapo. This gave him access to information ahead of time for events such as the Prague uprising in May 5, 1945 and he was said to be present at Jan Masaryk's phone call when he planned to leave the country by plane.

He worked as a criminal investigator for the Police service in Prague, three other cities and finally asked to be transferred to Kladno. Kladno itself served as a detention center for the women and children of Lidice before their deportation to concentration camps or Germanization schools.

As a member of the Czech Department of the Interior and Český červený kříž (Czech Red Cross) he lead one of three international teams that searched across Europe to locate and rescue children kidnapped from Lidice and Ležáky in 1942, who had been sent for forced Germanization. Through his efforts, 16 of these children were reunited with their families.

After settling in the United States and becoming a citizen, he remained a dedicated advocate for his home countrymen and the people of Lidice and Ležáky. Through commemorative events like the Phillips Lidice/Ležáky Memorial and countless interviews, he worked tirelessly to educate others about the atrocities committed at both sites and championed the inclusion of Ležáky alongside Lidice in memorials. Forty-two years after the fall of the Iron Curtain, he returned home to a hero's welcome, where he was reunited with some of the children he had rescued—now grandparents themselves—as well as his two surviving brothers and their families.

In his efforts to establish himself in the United States, he attended an event at the International Institute, where he met one of the volunteer hostesses, Ms. Ruth Walenta, who was of Czech ancestry. They married in 1954 and shared a love for Sokol and folk, and Czech heritage events, attending them together throughout their lives.



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THE JAMES ČIHÁK DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD



Sokolice Tabor has nominated **Juanita LoGiudice** for the James Čihák Distinguished Service Award. Juanita became a Sokolice Tabor member on October 1, 1980. She celebrates 45 years of membership this fall. Her devotion of countless volunteer hours has impacted the unit, district, and national levels of the American Sokol organization.

Juanita's Sokol career started when she enrolled her daughters, Gina, and Angela, in Tabor classes. She was a Class Assistant, and Instructor coaching Tots and 2nd Class Girls, and Women's Physical Director from 1984–1986. Along with various Board of Instructors responsibilities, Juanita served as both Uniform Coordinator and Unit Slet Coordinator for years. In March 2011, the Sokol Tabor Board of Instructors honored her contributions to the successful growth of our program, fund-raisers (she is one great raffle ticket seller), and Sokol. Juanita served as Sokolice Tabor 1st Vice President and then President

from 2007–2009. She continues serving on Sokol Tabor Properties Committee and was Properties Secretary often.

On the district level, Juanita's contributions included Central District BOI, Properties Director, Unit Delegate, and Co-Kitchen Coordinator for 14 Skills & Progressions Clinics spanning from 1998–2020. Juanita volunteered at innumerable district events during her tenure. In fact, she continues to support district events and is the annual Sokol Day basket raffle ticket seller.

In November 2011, Juanita was the Central District's President's Award Female Recipient. This award is presented each year to Sisters of the Central District who have shown a lifetime of exemplary service to the Sokol organization and its principles through their unit, district, and national volunteerism.

In 1998, Juanita started helping at the American Sokol office labeling for mailings and other tasks needed. She eventually accepted National BOI Secretary and in total, worked at the American Sokol Office for 22 years. She assisted any need that came her way and consistently went out of her way for the organization time after time working hours outside the scope of her position. She supported national Slets, volunteering her time where needed. Juanita was extremely dependable on getting the job done. She looks forward to attending, volunteering, and participating in the 2025 Chicago Slet.

Juanita often introduces herself saying "My name is Nita. You need a little of this or a little of that, I'm here to help." We thank Juanita for everything she has done, everything she continues to do and everything yet to come. We could not imagine the Sokol family without her.

Juanita is an outstanding volunteer and a true example of the James Čihák Distinguished Service Award—an active member of American Sokol who has completed extraordinary and distinguished service to support local unit, district, and national endeavors.



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Awardee: Sister Carol Crosson, Sokol Chicagoland

"There is always one moment in childhood when the door opens and lets the future in." When Carol was a child, she was playing in a lot near the Slovak Sokol at 2500 Pulaski in Chicago. She with her friends were invited into the gym and she participated in classes, competitions never being charged, making many friends...and even visiting their summer camp at Potters Lake, Wisconsin. The Sokols welcomed her, and she became a Sokol for life. The gym she called home was in what is now referred to as "Little Village" or the "Pilsen Historic District" originally created as a Czech community, it moved west from the "Prague" neighborhood which burned during the Chicago Fire of 1871. This Sokol welcomed her as their "own".

Carol as a young adult became involved in Sokol Havlíček-Tyrš (Established in 1911) at 2619 Lawndale Avenue, in Chicago a few blocks east of Pulaski. Many Czechs visited their summer "Sokol home" in Crystal Lake. But when this building was razed, many of the members moved to Sokol's in Chicago's western suburbs. Sokol Brookfield (Spirit) (Established 1929) and Sokol Chicagoland (Established 1959). Carol became active on the Sokol Chicagoland building board giving of her energies and monetary gifts.

In 2023, Sister Carol approached the American Sokol Organization about the idea of establishing a fund to help youth members travel to competitions, slets, camps, and like events. The Sister Carol Crosson Endowment Foundation was established and gave out their first grants in 2024 for youth to receive reimbursement of their flights to the Prague Slet. This year over 35 American Sokol youth have received grants to cover travel to the Chicago Slet and Instructor's School. While the Foundation Committee of the American Sokol nominated her, the Board of Instructor's values the impact she has already made and will to the future of American Sokol Organization youth. The Sokol unit validates and applies for the grant and in turn submits the final reports which dispense the grant money.



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Awardee: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic

The Consulate General of the Czech Republic in Chicago informs Czech expatriate organizations and associations within its jurisdiction about the opportunity to apply for financial donations for projects to be implemented in a given year and the American Sokol has been the recipient since 2010, under the program of the Czech Government aimed at supporting Czech cultural heritage abroad.

From the Chicago Consulate website... "This funding comes from a Czech government program that supports Czech cultural life abroad, including language classes, educational programs, and direct support for community-led initiatives. But more than numbers and programs, it's about people—people who come together to keep Czech culture alive and thriving far from Czechia. Each summer, long-standing organizations and new associations alike submit their ideas and projects, and we're proud to walk alongside them—not just with financial aid, but with encouragement, collaboration, and our presence."

Since 2010, The American Sokol Foundation has written over 52 grant applications and received as of 2025, \$124,141.77 from the Czech Government which covered American Sokol's participation in the documentary "Czechs of Chicago" aired on PBS and elsewhere; the digitalization of the Library & Archives of ASO; Czech DVD film lending library; Software for membership records and publications; Support for the travel to two Prague Slets with performance teams (2024 & 2012); Support for Czech Sokols to come to ASO Instructor's School; World Sokol Federation Development Conference after Milwaukee Slet (2013); ASO Slets in Milwaukee, Wisconsin (2013), Cedar Rapids, Iowa (2017), and Chicago, Illinois (2025); ASO's 150th Anniversary Gala (2015); ASO Library Archival Storage and Preservation; Development of ASO Honor Guard Training; Annual commitments to ASO Foundation Unit Grants including Gateway to the Future which assists in keeping buildings updated, Unit Growth for unit retention, expansion and promotion of the Sokol program, Future Sokol Leaders for the Board of Instructors events such as Instructor's School, National Camp, Winter Short Slet, Special Events, and the new Unit Corporate Sustainment which helps with leadership, accountancy, and the execution of the administration of the Sokol and much much more!

American Sokol Organization is indeed pleased at the many ways in which these annual Ministry awards have been utilized to better keep the shared heritage vibrant, visible, and alive.



Consulate General of the Czech Republic
in Chicago



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THE AMERICAN SOKOL HALL OF FAME – DR. MIROSLAV TYRŠ HONOR AWARD Bro. Paul Lebloch – Sokol Spirit



Sokol Spirit is humbled and honored to nominate Bro. Paul Lebloch to the American Sokol Hall of Fame. We recently lost Bro. Paul, and we will truly miss his sparkling personality and friendship. He certainly is deserving of an award like the Dr. Tyrš award, because Paul has created a legacy in our organization that is not matched by many.

Like Tyrš, Paul was a sports organizer and Czech culture advocate. He was a youth in classes at Sokol Stickney and Berwyn; and returned to Sokol after serving in the U.S. Army as a young adult. He soon became a leader at Sokol Berwyn in the position of Men's Physical Director. As many of our strong leaders do, Paul took on the position at both the district and national level helping to coordinate three slets during that time. Paul was respected at the national level, serving in roles as Educational Director, 1st Vice President and 2nd Vice President. He was also influential in his leadership at the World Sokol Federation during this time as well. Paul served, strengthened and championed the American Sokol in leadership roles from 1961 to 2010!



Many Sokols can easily recall Paul's social nature and bright personality. He supported all of our Sokol Spirit events and gatherings and encouraged the unit to continue these traditions. He was one of our cultural brokers at the hospoda while we were overseas at Slets. His name has notoriety on the world stage as a representative of the Sokol mission. He was able to connect and create lasting friendships with multiple generations of members in our organization, a rare and precious gift. The Dr. Tyrš award is awarded to someone deemed a true legacy of Sokol, and Bro. Paul's positive imprint on the history of Sokol makes him a deserving honoree.



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Past Recipients from 2017

THE JINDŘICH FÜGNER SERVICE AWARD

2017	Vladislav "Walter" Slavík*	Sokol New York
2017	Chuck & Janet Kalat	Sokol KHB, Ennis, TX
2017	Joan Sedlacek	Sokol Minnesota

THE FRANK KŘÍŽ ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

2017	Laddie Hinz Bakanic	Sokol New York
2017	Lubomir Hintnaus*	Sokol Los Angeles, CA
2017	Paula Stansbury	Sokol Zizka, Dallas, TX
2017	Jim Hartung	Sokol Omaha, NE

THE TOMÁŠ GARRIGUE MASARYK LEADERSHIP AWARD

2017	Frank Capek*	Sokol Little Ferry, NJ
2017	Otto Notzl	Sokol Los Angeles, CA
2017	Larry Laznovsky*	Sokol KHB, Ennis, TX
2017	Mickey & Jolene Dalton	Sokol South Omaha, NE
2019	Anci Cervin Huber *	Eastern District
2022	Jean Hruby	American Sokol

THE JAMES ČIHÁK DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

2017	Lucia Maruska Levendis*	Sokol Washington, D.C.
2017	Lillian Roter	Sokol Los Angeles, CA
2017	Mary Beth Dulock	Sokol West, TX
2017	Allison Gerber	Sokol Cedar Rapids, IA

THE AMERICAN SOKOL HALL OF FAME DR. MIROSLAV TYRŠ HONOR AWARD

2017	Mildred Barcal*	Sokol Washington, D.C.
2017	Vojmir & Sandy Benak	Sokol South Omaha, NE
2017	Marie Provazníková*	Sokol New York
2017	Cheri Riddle	Sokol Los Angeles, CA
2017	Florence Palas	Sokol Los Angeles, CA
2017	Joe Kos*	Sokol Houston, TX
2017	Mike Wilson	Sokol Zizka, Dallas, TX
2017	Ed & Bea Pavoucek*	Sokol South Omaha, NE
2021	Rome Milan	Southern District
2022	Jerry Milan	Southern District

* *Posthumous award*

CHICAGO

The logo for the Chicago 2025 American Sokol Slet. It features the word "CHICAGO" in large, bold, black capital letters. A blue wavy line representing water is positioned below the letters. Below the water line are four red five-pointed stars, each containing a white number: 2, 0, 2, and 5. At the bottom, a blue rectangular banner contains the text "XXV AMERICAN SOKOL SLET" in white capital letters.

XXV AMERICAN SOKOL SLET

Thank you to everyone who sent in nominations for the American Sokol National Awards. Congratulations to all awardees on receiving these prestigious awards. Thank you for your support, dedication and hard work for American Sokol.

Nominations for these awards can be given to individuals by a Unit, District, or by the National organization at any time during the year. At this time, please submit the request to the American Sokol Office for processing.

Thank you to everyone who assisted in putting this National Awards booklet together over the last few weeks.

Thank you to the American Sokol Membership Committee, Sis. Patricia Satek, Sis. Heather Beasley, and Sis. Marla Breidenbach!

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