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Sokol Karel Havlicek Borovsky – Ennis, Texas To Welcome 2022 American Sokol National Convention Delegates



The 2022 American Sokol National Convention is being hosted by Sokol Karel Havlicek Borovsky (KHB) Ennis, Texas -- June 9-12, 2022. This will be the first time since 1990 that the National Convention will be hosted in the Southern District. Delegates will be housed at nearby hotels and shuttled to the Sokol Facility for convention sessions and socials. Since Ennis is located some distance from servicing airports – 60 miles from the Dallas – Ft. Worth International airport (DFW) and 40 Miles from the Dallas Love Field airport -- it will be important for travelling delegates to manage their arrival times to facilitate shuttle pickups. Optimal arrival window times will be included in future delegate information. Sokol KHB is widely recognized as the first organized gymnastics club in the state of Texas and will be celebrating its 114th year of continuous operation with next year's Convention. The current KHB Sokol Activity Center, built in 1991 following destruction of its previous facility by fire, houses a partition able 12,000 sq. ft. main floor, an office, a museum (both Sokol KHB and the Southern District), a full-service kitchen, a clubroom/bar, and patio. An Olympic size swimming pool, currently closed for renovation, is also part of the Sokol complex. (continued)

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We are in the final stretch! The American Sokol National Convention has been announced and will happen this coming June 2022 in Ennis, Texas where changes and new committees and Executive Board will be formed. It is exciting knowing that our long-standing organization remains dedicated to continuing the work that keeps Sokol strong. Over the last three and a half years, we have made big strides to advance yet, we also experienced a horrible pandemic. It has been an interesting term of office but we never stopped meeting, or working towards our goals. This term, we have witnessed many losses in our membership including those that have passed away. Moving into a new Sokol season and this final stretch of the current Board, let us push to help our organization grow, bring in new members and re-start the energy we have been waiting to let loose, and bring back the events and fraternal fun. We look forward to our Directors Conference this month which will kick-off our first national event since the pandemic. Three of our National Honor Guard members are traveling to Prague for training with the Sokol Straz and to participate in the Official Sokol Memorial Day on October 8th, which we have adopted here as well in American Sokol. We look forward to being together again. Stay safe, and strong!

At' žije Sokol – Long Live Sokol
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Interesting Side Note: The stone carved wreathes, “Sokol emblem”, and words “Sokol” and “Havlicek” in the Sokol KHB building marker are the actual stone building name markers from the façade over the main entrance of the large, three story Sokol Havlicek-Tyrs building in Chicago. These stone pieces were preserved through a deal between Bro. Joseph Janacek and the demolition crew while the building was being demolished in the mid-1970s. The “-Tyrs” piece is part of the Tyrs Pool identity marker elsewhere on the KHB grounds. After many years in storage, the pieces were fashioned into the KHB marker and dedicated in 2009 thanks to the efforts of Jerry and Henrietta Milan of Sokol Fort Worth and an excited Sokol KHB crew led by Larry Laznovsky.

The City of Ennis, with a population just over 20,000, is located 35 miles south of Dallas. It annually hosts the 3-day National Polka Festival celebrating Czech heritage and traditions. Come on Down, Ya'll.

For more Convention preparation, timeline, and information, check out Convention Kit #1 that was emailed to all District and Unit Presidents in early August and watch for additional Convention information to be distributed via email in future Convention Kits.

Southern District Convention Host Organizing Committee

2021 ASO Virtual Instructors School Special Thanks

We have finally completed our virtual instructors school! Thank you so much to all who attended classes! Our virtual instructors school was completed in early August. Classes were held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays July 13-15, July 20-22, July 27-29, and August 3-5. I would now like to recognize the many people who helped make this virtual school a success. First, thank you to Joe Bajek, Kristin Greenberg, Mary Cushing, and Tom Pajer for joining me on the committee to create this virtual school. Second, thank you to Joe Bajek and Kristin Greenberg for joining me as the full time staff. Third, thank you to Alix Fron, Mary Cushing, Stacy Upham, Charity Ruhl, Gretchen Obrovac, Kristine Betik, Mary Read, Brittney Bajek, Kimberly Elliott, and Michael Barcal for joining me as the guest staff. Finally, thank you to all Sokol members who attended classes and did their part to become better Sokol coaches! Good luck this Sokol season! Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions.

Submitted by Bro. Dan Bajek
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Websites for you to gain more information about Sokol

American-sokol.org- Many dropdown menu including locations of Sokol Units and other important info.

Sokolmuseum.org- Many Exhibits about our worldwide history

NCSML.org - Website for Czech and Slovak merchandise and exhibits

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