Czechs in America Organization (CIAO)

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About

Czechs in America Organization (CIAO) is working to become a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to fostering the appreciation, understanding, and teaching of Czech culture and history.

We exist to preserve, promote, and support efforts to perpetuate the Czech culture, history, customs, and traditions in the United States. CIAO is for anyone who wants to learn more about Czech Culture and Heritage.

Mission Statement

To foster the appreciation, understanding, and teaching of the rich and unique history of Czechs and, by example and through programs and activities, encourage and promote research, preservation, and publication of historical material affecting Czechs in America.

Mission

At CIAO our mission is to foster the appreciation, understanding, and teaching of Czech culture and history. Through our publications, websites, and education programs, we strive to ensure that Czech people of all ages discover their past to better inform their future.

We aspire to help Czech Americans connect with Czech culture and history. We strive to provide the means to publish new research into our country's heritage and allow all who share a passion for Czech culture and history to freely access quality material on our various platforms. This includes developing printed materials, publication of websites and newsletters, creating and presenting programs of interest to the community, and resources for those with Czech ancestry in America.

Czechs in America Organization (CIAO)

Organized first in Boston, Ma on October 28, 1998, notable Czechs brought laypersons and professionals together to document and celebrate Czech Americans culture and history. Restructured in 2014, CIAO follows the path laid out by its founders, sharing Czech culture and history with individuals across the United States of America, Canada, and Mexico. Since 1998, our organization has produced numerous websites, articles, presentations, and books amongst its educational programs. We have created over 10 websites with over 2,500 combined pages on our websites, bringing you the most information about Czech culture and heritage.

CIAO focuses on two major service areas: education programs and historical publications. These services primarily benefit Czech Americans, although individuals from across the globe can access CIAO's online publications and sites. Available at no cost to its users, the most widely used resource is currently the TresBohemes website.

CAIO consistently works to deliver programs that brings the spirit of the Czech Republic to the US in the form of online education, publications, events, and unique opportunities for education, experience, and growth.

Goals

The goals of Czechs in America Organization (CIAO) are:

- To act as a point of contact for people from the Czech Republic.
- To be a resource for Americans interested in the Czech Republic.
- To develop and sponsor the translation of Czech literature to English, educational courses, literary circles, concerts, exhibits, symposia, and publish Czech-American authors and their stories.
- To develop engaging programs of outreach for Czech Americans and the general public.
- To maintain content-rich websites that strengthen the Czech community in America.
- To partner with embassies, government agencies, Universities, other Czech groups and/or cultural organizations to bring Czech exhibits, artists, performing groups, and speakers to America.
- To promote business relationships between America and the Czech Republic.
- To help facilitate exchange programs for students, teachers, and professionals.
- To initiate, encourage, and support research into, and public understanding of, the history and cultures of the Czech Republic, from the earliest of times to modern day.
- To support and participate in efforts to protect, preserve, and present to the public the historic and cultural heritage of the Czech Republic
- To raise awareness of Czech people's assimilation into the Americas due to forced immigration in several distinct waves and time periods in history.

We need your help to accomplish these ambitious goals. You provide the means to complete new projects, publish historical materials, and improve and document Czech history and culture for future generations.

Operational Expenses

With your support, we will work together to ensure Czech culture and history retains a prominent place in the hearts and minds of Czech Americans across America and beyond.

Proposed Annual Budget	\$18,011
Set up non-profit status	2,000
Domain Name	30
Hosting	60 mo x 12 = 720
Mailing List	68 mo x 12 = 816
Editing Software	129
PDF Software	30 x 12 = 360
Website Plugins	48 x 12 = 576
Printing Announcements	780
Mailing Announcements	600
Staff	12,000

Click here for the CIAO Website

Current Projects & Initiatives

Everything Czech – a website which introduces the visitor to our many initiatives and programs.

Proposed Annual Budget	<u>\$2,630</u>
Domain Name	30
Hosting	included
Mailing List	included at present
Staff	2,600

TresBohemes.com – Blogging on Czech Themes. Our passion is preserving Czech culture and heritage because we believe it is our ancestral heritage that defines us. We love sharing information about the culture, heritage, traditions, and history of the Czech Republic. Through our creative blog, we are committed to the promotion and understanding of the Czech Republic, its people, and its many contributions to the entire world. We post/publish regularly to help educate others about the Czech Republic.

Proposed Annual Budget	\$17,035
Domain Name	30
Hosting	60 mo x 12 = 720
Mailing List	68 mo x 12 = 816
Editing Software	129
Creative Software 1	13 x 12 = 156
Creative Software 2	10 x 12 = 120
PDF Software	30 x 12 = 360
Website Plugins	48 x 12 = 576
Screencapture software	98
Advertising	300
Mailings	180
Promotional Printing	800
Set up Ads for revenue	750
Staff	12,000

Click here for the TresBohemes website

Czech Handbook – A community project calling for submissions from Czech Americans and expatriates to share what makes them distinctly Czech. The Czech Handbook is a digital (for the time being) encyclopedia developed by the Czechs in America Org. (CIAO) that is free and accessible on the internet for students, teachers, scholars, and the general public. The Czech Handbook consists of a collection of publicly added biographical entries focused on the entire history of Czechs in America from the first Czech that arrived here to the memories s/he left behind. It's a cultural document which aims to answer the question, what does it mean to be Czech. Entries emphasize the role Czech played in state, national, and world history. But also, entries can be historical stories, quirky personality traits, love for certain foods, mushroom hunting, mannerisms, humor, etc. The goal is to create a "Czech profile" of Czech

people in a fun way, uniting us by our cultural heritage. CAIO continuously expands the Czech Handbook through year-round call for submissions from Czechs worldwide. Our hope is that the Czech Handbook will serve as a look into Czech culture, history, and life.

Proposed Budget	\$3,63 <u>0</u>
Domain Name	30 (annual)
Hosting	included in CIAO
Mailing List	included in CIAO
Staff time for development	1,200 (one-time)
Staff time for maintenance	2,400 (annual)

Click here for the Czech Handbook website

Czech Museum – Preserving Czech art and culture by offering a digital museum of national treasures, and the artists, sculptors, photographers. Because not everyone lives close to a Czech museum, and the world is changing in reference to travel and pandemic restrictions, we are building a Czech museum online. The Czech Museum will offer unique educational experiences based on stories, music, art, photographs, authentic objects and the lives of the Czechs who left their country to seek freedom, and liberty in the United States of America. The mission of the museum is to share the rich culture and history of the Czech lands, as well as it's people. With a strong focus on Czech immigrants and Czech Americans, we aim to capture oral history and artifacts documenting the Czech American life, preserving those legacies for future generations. Although we are not yet legally established as a non-profit entity, the collection itself has been accumulating since 2006 under the care of Kytka Hilmar-Jezek. Our first large donation of items came from the contents of the Masaryktown (FL) Czech center. A call for donations in the TresBohemes mailings resulted in numerous items from Czech families around the country. The collection continues to grow. For many years these items have been packed away and stored but it is our belief they should be shared. Items will need to be properly identified, labeled, and photographed for the digital library. It is our hope that the museum will one day have a building of its own in the Tampa Bay area to serve the very large community of Czechs here, as well as the general public.

Proposed Annual Budget	\$18,026
Domain Name	30
Hosting	720
Mailing List	816
Photography	1800
Cataloging/Archiving	2400
Photo Editing Software	480
Mailing to announce opening	180
Promotional Printing	800
Storage	2,400
Staff	12,000

Click here for The Czech Museum website

Good Czech Food – An open-community project that seeks to educate about Czech culinary history, specialties, recipes, and food culture. This site will offer a call for Czechs and Czech Americans to share their favorite foods, recipes, traditions, preparations, holiday customs, and so on. Parts of this evergrowing document will be turned into slide shows, videos, and books.

Proposed Budget	\$4,530
Domain Name	30 (annual)
Hosting	included in CIAO
Mailing List	included in CIAO
Staff time for development	1,500 (one-time)
Staff time for maintenance	3,000 (annual)

Click here for the Good Czech Food website

Great Czechs – Ongoing educational series on introducing great Czechs, Czech Americans and Czech immigrants through slide presentations, video, books, audiobooks, and downloadable articles about these notable people.

Proposed Budget	\$8,730
Domain Name	30 (annual)
Hosting	included in CIAO
Mailing List	included in CIAO
Staff time for development	1,500 (one-time)
Staff time for maintenance	7,200 (annual)

Click here for the Great Czechs website

Proposed Projects & Initiatives

Czech Talks – A Podcast on Czech subjects. The TresBohemes website currently has over 1200 contentrich articles on various Czech subjects and themes. When printed, most blog posts are over 10,000 words. These could be edited for voice and turned into podcasts and/or audiobooks. More and more people are consuming audio content.

Proposed Budget	\$12,970
Domain Name	30
Hosting	720
Development	1200
Equipment	520
Software	640
Graphics, Logos	260
Staff	9,600

Click here for the Czech Talks website

Czech Events – Directory for the promotions of Czech events in the United States to include fairs, lectures, seminars, concerts, sporting events, trips, clubs, etc. The directory will be a forum to promote art, music, and dance as well as celebrate history and stories of immigrant experiences shared by Czech Americans.

\$18,889.00
30 (annual)
378 mo x 12 = 4536 (annual)
72 mo x 12 = 864 (annual)
400 (one time)
659 (annual)
1,200 (one-time)
1,000 (annual)
10,200 (annual)

Click here for the Czech Events website

Czech Chamber – Directory for Czech individuals, businesses, restaurants, and services, making it possible for Czechs to find other Czechs in their local area, or where they plan to travel and connect and patronize and thus grow each other's networks and businesses.

Proposed Budget	<u>\$18,889.00</u>
Domain Name	30 (annual)
Hosting	378 mo x 12 = 4536 (annual)
Mailing List	72 mo x 12 = 864 (annual)
Directory Theme	400 (one time)
Directory Software	659 (annual)
Staff time for development	1,200 (one-time)
Advertising	1,000 (annual)
Staff	10,200 (annual)

Click here for the Czech Chamber of Commerce in North America website

Czechs of Tampa Bay – A research project on a group no one has focused on. There are over 4,000 Czechs concentrated in the small area of Pinellas, Hillsborough, Pasco, Hernando, Manatee and Sarasota counties. In this project, we will learn about the history of Czech people here and their lives today.

Proposed Budget	\$8,290
Domain Name	30
Hosting	included in CIAO
Mailing List	included in CIAO
Research Expenses	1,500
Travel Expenses	600

Recording/Audio	480
Transcribing	1,200
Documenting/Archiving Materials	400
Staff time for maintenance	3,000
ISBN	125
LLC	65
Interior formatting for book	250
Cover Design for book	140
Promotion/Advertising	500

Click here for the Czechs of Tampa Bay website

Czech Revival – a publishing imprint dedicated to the publication of Czech authors and Czech translations. We are actively seeking to publish Bohemists and other experts in the field of Czech language and literature. Committed to preserving and promoting Czech texts, traditions, and oral histories moved to print, as well as the translation of Czech literature.

Proposed Budget	\$4,53 <u>0</u>
Domain Name	30
Hosting	included in CIAO
Mailing List	included in CIAO
Staff time for development	1,500
Staff time for maintenance	3,000

<u>Click here for the Czech Revival website</u>

Sponsors and Contributors

Czechs in America Org. (CIAO) very much appreciates the support of its major sponsors and contributors. They, along with our members, ensure we fulfill our mission to foster the appreciation, understanding, and teaching of Czech culture and history.

These projects need your support to thrive. If preserving our Czech culture and history is important to you, please consider choosing a project above to support, or donate today.

You may donate at the following link: CLICK HERE TO DONATE TODAY

Note that we are not yet a 501(c)(3) so your donation will not be tax deductible, but we are working on it!

Membership

Help us share Czech culture and history with individuals throughout the Americas, and the world. Become a member today.

More details on membership benefits and levels are currently being developed, as is a downloadable membership form and donation payment options. At present we are not yet a 501(c)(3) organization, but we are working towards that.

A recurring donation of just \$10 or more per month will help us to continue our mission to foster the appreciation, understanding, and teaching of the rich and complex culture and history of Czechs, and through the various programs and activities we have outlined above, encourage and promote research, preservation, and publication of historical material on Czech Americans and Czech culture and history.

Your generous gift to CIAO illustrates your commitment and the result is a powerful grassroots movement capable of empowering the Czech community in America.

You may donate now by clicking this link:

https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=4UFXL4AV86E2W

Please note that we are not yet a 501(c)(3), therefore, your donation is not tax-deductible at this time.

Accomplishments of Czechs in America Organization (CIAO)

(We have already accomplished the following – we're asking for your help to grow and accomplish so much more!)

Outreach | Education

- Created the TresBohemes website

A blogging website where we have written and distributed over 1,200 articles about 'all things Czech' including prominent Czech Americans in the United States and their contribution to arts, music, science, fashion, sports, education, politics, and more. There are almost 5,000 subscribers on the mailing list, over 10,000 connections on social media, and over 45,000 website views each month.

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- Launching Czech Events

Directory for the promotions of Czech events in the United States to include fairs, lectures, seminars, concerts, sporting events, trips, clubs, etc. The directory will be a forum to promote art, music, and dance as well as celebrate history and stories of immigrant experiences shared by Czech Americans.

- Launching Czech Chamber

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- Providing Resources to Czechs

Email campaigns giving the opportunity to claim Abandoned Czech property, Genealogy Resources, News from Czech Organizations in the USA, Czech Clubs, Festival Listings, Consuls, Embassies, Czech Schools of Americas, etc.

- Seminars and Lectures

Coming soon

- Annual Meeting

A plan for Annual Meetings is currently being considered. Meetings would be held in various locations throughout the United States. We foresee a three-day conference which will offer scholars, students, teachers, and history enthusiasts an opportunity to discover the latest developments in Czech cultural and history research.

The Arts

- Created <u>The Czech Museum</u>

Preserving Czech art and culture by offering a digital museum of national treasures, and the artists, sculptors, photographers. We sponsor online art exhibits of Czech arts through The Czech Museum website.

- Promoted Czech Artists

Alphonse Mucha, Cyril Kotyšan, Marie Fischerová-Kvěchová, Ivan Svatoš, Vojtěch Kubašta, Jiří Slíva, Josef Lada, Antonin Prochazka, Emil Holárek, Jiří Pařík, Radka Bartošíková, František Dvořák, Alex Kveton, Jan Zahradník, Josef Paleček, Karel Teige, Karel Kulík, Bohumil Štěpán, Jan Preisler, Adolf Born, Rudolf Kremlička, David Černý, Karel Rudolf Ditmar, Marie Čermínová aka Toyen, Michal Trpák, Vladislav Urban, Adolf Hoffmeister, Bohdan Lacina, Josef Kočí, Antoš Frolka, Zdeněk Miler, Emil Fiala, Josef Čapek, Otakar Mrkvička, František Kupka, Eva Šedivá, Zdeňka Krejčová, Luděk Vimr, Zdeňka Krejčová, Alena Janoušková, Karel Svolinský, Ladislav Sutnar, Zdeněk Mézl, Radek Pilař, Miroslav Sasek, Jindřich Štyrsky.

- Promoted Czech Textile/Fashion Designers

Oldřich (Ulrich) Rosenbaum, Zika & Lida Ascher, Hana Podolská, Pavel Berky, Blanka Matragi.

- Promoted Czechs in the field of Music

Antonín Dvořák, Maurice Grau, Vítězslava Kaprálová, Jiří Šlitr, Jan Kubelík, Jarmila Kšírová, Waldemar Matuška, Eduard Ingriš, Karel Gott, Štěpánka Štěpánová, Bambini di Praga, Vilém Zitek, Rudolf Antonín Dvorský, Rudolf Cortés (Rudolf Kraisinger), Jarmila Novotná, Rudolf Friml, Karel Husa, František Matěj Hilmar, Vítězslava Kaprálová, Antonín Dvořák, Josef Suk, Leoš Janáček, Kamila Stösslová, Jerome David Kern, Karel Husa, Miroslav Černý, František Kupka, Prague Cello Quartet, Kamarádi Táborových Ohňů (KTO), Joseph Kaspar, Marta Kubišová, Ondrej Tofel, Band Konopjan, Steel Strings and Iron Curtains, Nové Struny.

- Promoted Czech Photographers

Jiří Všetečka, Josef Koudelka, Jan Saudek, Karel Plicka, Vilem Hekel, Jerzy Michalka, Antonín Kratochvíl, Mark Susina, Miroslav Tichý, Vladimir Ambroz, David Tichý, Janek Sedlar, Jiří Jiroutek, Karel Ludwig, Stanislav Tereba, Daniel Řeřicha, Krzysztof Browko, Ferdinand Bučina, Jiří Macht, Jaromír Funke, Páv Lučištník, Josef Sudek, Jaroslav Beneš.

- Promoted Czech Films

Medieval, Most, Bílá nemoc, Bobule, Jan Mikolášek: Charlatan or Healer, The Sorrows of Lenka (Trápení), Princezna ze mlejna, A pozdravuji vlaštovky, Swingtime, Accidental Army – True Story of The Czechoslovak Legion, Zem Spieva, Operation Anthropoid, Rusalka, Zločin v Polné, Dark Blue World, Kolya, Honza Málem Králem, Ať žijí rytíři!, Bathory: Countess of Blood, Byl Jednou Jeden Král, The Last Trick, Tři Bratři or Three Brothers, The Czech Year (aka Špalíček), The Devil's Mistress, Ecce homo Homolka Trilogy, Red Tails, Divoká planeta, Vampire in a Highrise – Upír ve věžáku, Starci na Chmelu, Ecstasy (Ekstase), Burning Bush, Pod Jezevci skalou, Na pytlacke stezce, Za trnkovym kerem, Vánoční Sen aka The Christmas Dream, The Silent Village, The

Second Life of Lidice, Too Loud A Solitude, Czechoslovakia 1968, Limonadovy Joe, Arie Prerie, Ruka (The Hand), Sedmikrásky (Daisies), Vrchní, prchni (Run Waiter Run), The Shop on Main Street (Obchod na korze), Želary, Czech Dream (Ceský sen).

- Promoted Czechs in the Film Industry

Miloš Forman, Tomáš Holý, Karel Zeman, Petr Horák, Franz Planer, Jiří Trnka, Jan Švankmajer, Olga Schoberová, Lída Baarová, Patricia Betsy Hrunek aka Betsy Palmer, Olinka Berova (aka Olga Schoberová), Alexandr Hackenschmied, Maya Deren, Věra Chytilová, Ladislav Smoljak,

- Organized Film Watch Parties

If you would like to participate, please email us for the meeting information.

Literature

- Published Czech and Czech-American Authors

A Journey of a Bouncing Czech by Natasha Novotny and Rien Ne Va Plus: One Life's Coincidences by Georg Aeberhard.

- Published Children's Series on Czechs

The <u>'Czech Out' book series</u> for children by Jan Novotny. Titles include Franz Kafka, Saint Wenceslas, Vaclav Havel, John Amos Comenius, and Charter 77.

- Created Czech Revival

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- Current

Working on the translation and publication of three Czech books.

- Book Discussions & Czech Book Club

If you would like to participate, please email us for the meeting information.

- Promoted Czech Authors

Karel Jaromír Erben, Svatopluk Čech, Božena Němcová, Jiří Mahen, Franz Kafka, Milan Kundera, Jiří Kolář, Karel Hynek Mácha, Pavel Brycz, Bohumil Hrabal, Mark Slouka, Josef Čapek, Jaroslav Andel, Jaroslav Hašek, Lucy Siefert, Zuzana Palovic, Rainer Maria Rilke, Beneš Metod Kulda, Ljuba Štíplováand, Josef Štefan Kubin, Marie Majerová, Václav Čtvrtek, George (Jiří) Kovtun, Marcela Andrlova.

- Promoted Czech/Czech American Books

The Good Soldier Švejk, Border Crossings by Charles Nováček, Frank's Wilbur, Franci's War, Slovakia: The Legend of the Linden, Legend of The Golem, Somewhere There Is Still a Sun: A Memoir of the Holocaust, The Castle, Metamorphosis, Foltyn's Drum: A Czech Story, The History of the Brave Czech Nation, The book Československé lidové hračky (Czechoslovakian Folk Toys), A Taste of Czech Tradition, Úprava bytového interiéru (Modification of the Home Interior), I, City, Dreams of a Great Small Nation, Too Loud A Solitude, Nobody's Son, The Book Design of Josef Čapek, The New Vision for the New Architecture Czechoslovakia 1918-1938, Field Guide to the Czech Psyche, Praha Poeticka (Poetic Prague), Venus on Strip Street, Abecada, Česká Kuchařka, Light and Shadow, Magic Prague, Children of Czechoslovakia, Czechoslovakia The Land of An Unconquerable Ideal.

- Promoted Czech Fairytales and Children's Books

Budulínek, Vodník, Živá abeceda, Povídání o pejskovi a kočičce, Salt Above Gold, Dvanáct pohádek (Twelve Fairy Tales), Korálky, Twelve Months (O dvanácti měsíčkách), Krtek A Vánoce, The Wood Fairy, Prince Bayaya, The Apple Maiden (Jabloňová Panna), Three White Roses, Co pán poroučí, When I Grow Up..., Fairy Tales from the Mushroom Forest (Pohádky z houbového lesa), Loupežník Rumcajs (Rumcajs the Little Bandit of the Forest), This is the World series by Miroslav Sasek.

- Promoted Czech Publications (past and present)

Czech Slavnosti, Pokrok Zapadu, Kvety Americke, Osveta Americka, Hospodar, Našinec, Byt a Umění, AUTO oficielní orgán Autoklubu Republiky Československé, Pestrý Týden, Tramp, Domov.

History

- Educational Videos

Created <u>educational videos</u> on this history of Czech adventurers, Alphonse Mucha, Jan Hus, Jiri Trnka, and others.

- Promoted Important Czechs in History

Svatý Václav, Jan Žižka, Charles I, the last King of Bohemia, Saint Adalbert of Prague, Jan Hus, Drahomíra, Charles IV, Kryštof Harant, Ottokar II of Bohemia, Libuše, Svatá Anežka Česká (Agnes of Bohemia), Jan Amos Komensky.

- Promoted Individuals & Czech Way-makers

Thomas Garrigue Masaryk, Vaclav Havel, Anita Pollitzer, George Halas, Eliška Junková, Elias Palme, Josef Korbel, Václav Hlavatý, Eduard Ingriš, Dr. Karel Hujer, Alice Masaryk, Josef Štolba, Miroslav Tyrš, Růžena Rosicka, Václav Budovec, Milča Mayerová, Pavel Roman, Hedy Lamarr, Marvin Hamlisch, Eva Romanová, Kryštof Harant, Věra Čáslavská, Ladislav Bittman, Constantine Hrinka, Emil Holub, Josef Kořenský, Jindřich Halabala, Josef Groll, Otto Wichterle, Thomas Earl Starzl, Kathleen Genevieve Ledecky, Helen Brooke Taussig, Emil Boček, Grant Lewi, Josef Probošt, Josef Kapucián, Josef Friml, Antonín Langweil, Tomas Rosicky, Nicholas Winton, Shirley Temple, Libuše Niklová, Milan Rastislav Štefánik.

- Promoted Czech Architecture and Places

Anežský klášter, Mělník Castle, Lednice Palace, Václavské náměstí, Zbiroh Chateau, Vyšehrad, Rudolfínský ples, Kostel sv. Václava, Poledník, Vyšehrad Train Station, Cafe Grand Orient, Altneuschul or Old New Synagogue, Cafe Savoy, Breda & Weinstein, Troja Château, Dům U Zlaté Studně, Národní divadlo, Kostel Nalezení svatého Kříže, Nerudova Ulice, Café Myšák, Olšany, Staroměstská radnice, Býchory Chateau, Café Mozart, Trade Fair Palace – National Art Gallery of Prague, Cafe Louvre, Colloredo-Mansfeld Palace, Veveří, Zdeněk Fránek's Skywalk, House of the Black Madonna, Cafe Slavia, Estates Theater, Černá Kaple of Holešov, Kostel svatého Jiří, Alchymist Grand Hotel, Zámek Blatná, Cafe Imperial, Grandhotel Pupp, The Municipal House, Vaneziano Café, Atelier Kalina, Šalounova Vila, Staroměstská Radnice, Luna Park, Sloupský Hrad, Chateau Mcely, Charles University Botanical Garden, Orlik Castle, Lucerna passage, Pařížská Ulice, Hluboká Castle, Café Obecní dům, Petřín Tower, Stromovka Park, Barceló Brno Palace, Houska Castle, Monument svým vítězným synům, Villa Richer, Capuchin Crypt, Villa Tugendhat, Staré zámecké schody, Hradiště Château, Hotel Clementin, Ještěd Tower, Strahovský Klášter, Napajedla Castle, Castle Šelmberk, The Ledeburg Garden, The Lesser Pálffy Garden, The Greater Pálffy Garden, The Kolowrat Garden, crypt of St. Cyril and Methodius Church, The Lesser Fürstenberg Garden, Dlouhá, Tupá, Vyšehrad, Lokál U Bílé Kuželky, Castle Loučeň, Castle Jezeří, Výstaviště Praha Holešovice, Vinohradský hřbitov.

- Promoted Czech Cities and Towns

Prague, Třebíč, Hostau, Šumava, Jihlava, Kraslice, Pravčická Brána, Velka a Mala Amerika, Holašovice Stonehenge, Konstantinovy Lázně, Moravian Karst, Šumava National Park, Hrubý Jeseník, Brno, Hodkovice u Trutnova, Solenická Podkova, Znojmo, Vršovice, Lipova, Černošice, Jiřák, Jezero v Adršpašských skalách, Liberec, Bransouze, Karlovy Vary, České Švýcarsko, Kutna Hora, Luková, Dobřichovice, Opole, Petřín Park, Malá Haná (Little Haná), Mnichov, Franstiskovy Lázně, Teplické Skalní Město, Drahanská vrchovina (Drahanská Highlands), Blatce, Berounka Valley, Křižovnické Náměstí, Luby, Mariánské Lázně, Boží Dar, Žluté Lázne, Mumlavské Vodopády, Tatra Mountains, Janské Lázně, Kladruby nad Labem, Adršpašské skalní město, Veselý Kopec, Hlinecko, Běloves, Krupka, Český les, Jižní Morava, Javorník, Kopidlno, České Budějovice, Rabštejn nad Střelou, Manětín, Plzeň, Český Krumlov, Veselí, Janovice nad Úhlavou, Detmarovice, Trebon, Český Ráj, Černá Pole, Kolin.

- Promoted Significant People & Events in Czech History

Lidice massacre, Věra Láska, Brundibar Opera, Most Disaster of 1895, Operation Anthropoid, Tři králové, Jan Palach, Jozef Gabčík, Karel Svoboda, Jan Kubiš, November 17, Prague Spring, Velvet Revolution.

- Promoted Czechs in America and Czech Settlements

Czechs in New York, Czechs in the Northwest, Early Bohemians of Chicago, Texas Czechs, Struggles of a Czech Family in Texas, Bohemian Farming Families of the Early 1900s, Grand Rapids, Iowa, Long Island, The Czechs of Masaryktown, Florida, Harsh Beginnings of Czech Settlers in America, Saint Wenceslaus Catholic Church in Spillville, Iowa, Wearing a Kroj in Texas, The First Czech in America, Czechs in the City of West, Texas, Mount Airy Lodge and the Czech Connection, The International Order of St. Hubertus, Finding Czech Kolache in Texas, SS Eastland Disaster, Washingtonská deklarace, The Shooting of Chicago Mayor Anton Cermák.

Culture

- Created Good Czech Food

An open-community project that seeks to educate about Czech culinary history, specialties, recipes, and food culture. This site will offer a call for Czechs and Czech Americans to share their favorite foods, recipes, traditions, preparations, holiday customs, and so on. Parts of this evergrowing document will be turned into slide shows, videos, and books.

- Created Great Czechs

An ongoing educational series on introducing great Czechs, Czech Americans and Czech immigrants through slide presentations, video, books, audiobooks, and downloadable articles about these notable people.

- Created Czechs of Tampa Bay

A research project on a group no one has focused on. There are over 3,000 Czechs concentrated in the small area of Pinellas, Hillsborough, and Pasco counties. In this project, we will learn about the history of Czech people here and their lives today.

- Promoted Czech Folk Life, Traditions and Customs

Vizovické Pečivo, News Years Eve and čočka, Lúčnica, a Czechoslovak folk ballet, The Ride of the Kings, the Christmas Markets, wedding traditions, Krkonoš, Owning A Chata or Chalúpka, Tramping culture and History, Carp in the Bathtub, Nativity Scenes, Christmas Crib of Třebechovice, Walnut shell candles, Accompanying a Kroj, Folk Headwear, What's Under a Kroj, corn husk dolls, Snacking platters, salt in a bowl on the table, Baking an Easter Lamb, Kraslice, Pomlázka or Pussywillow Braids, Hunting for Mushrooms in Czech Forests, marionettes, falconry.

- Promoted Czech Holidays & Festivals

Svatý Mikuláš, Martinmas, Hody, May Day Parade, Night of the Witch Burning, May 1st aka Lover's Day, Masopust, Three Kings Day, Name Days, Valašské Mikuláš jarmek, November 17, Dušičky (All Souls Day), St. Wenceslas Day, Křivoklát, Ugly Wednesday (Škaredá středa), Green

Thursday (Zelený čtvrtek), Good Friday (Velký pátek), White Saturday (Bílá sobota), Easter Sunday (Neděle velikonoční), Easter Monday (Pondělí velikonoční), Matějská pouť (St. Mathews Fair), Štědrý den (December 24th).

- Promoted Czech Foods and Recipes

Koláče, Bramboračka, Czech pork with plum sauce, Česnečka, Kulajda, Sweet Buns (Buchty), Mushroom Barley (Kuba), Utopence, Medovnik, Streudel, Cauliflower Soup, Czech fruit sponge cake, Cauliflower patties (Květákové Placičky), Liver dumplings in beef broth, Apricot dumplings, Vlašský salát, Šípková Omáčka, Podkrkonošský hubník, Gingerbread, Cikánské topinky (Gypsy toasts), Cherry Bublanina, Plněné papriky, Ďábelské topinky (Devil's toasts), Bratislavské topinky (Bratislava toasts), Rohlík, Škvarky, Czech Claws (Staročeské pracny or medvědí tlapky), Cucumber salad (Okurkový Salát), Nastavovaná kaše s osmaženou cibulkou, Škubánky, Broskvový Koláč s Drobenkou, Zemlbába or Žemlovka, Bramborové Placky, Lečo, Pancakes (Palačinky), Sauerkraut, Pletenec, Sweet Noodles with Poppy Seeds, Grated Apples with Carrots, Linecké cukroví, Vanilkové Rohlíčky, Pracinky, Sauerkraut Soup, Fruit dumplings, Lívance, Bábovka, Chlebíčky, Dumplings and Scrambled Eggs, Radish and Cheese Spread, Větrník, Roláda, Španělský Ptáčky, Valašský Frgál, Křenová polévka, Červená řepa s křenem, Babovka, Mushroom soup, Třešňová Bublanina, Masaryk Cookies (Masarykovo cukroví), Meruňkovej Koláč s Drobenkou, Fašírka, Beer Cheese or Pivní Sýr, Strawberry dumplings, Tvarohová bábovka, Česky Párky, Zelňačka, Hot Mulled Wine (Svařák), Bohemian Potato Salad, Pork lard (sádlo), Beer Goulash (Guláš na pivě), Czech Fried Cheese (Smažený sýr), Chicken Paprikash, Czech Christmas bread (Vánočka), Czech cheesecake (Tvarohový koláč), Rye Bread, Strawberry Crumble Cake (Jahodový Koláč s Drobenkou), Slepované linecké koláčky, Carlsbad Dumplings (Karlovarský Knedlíky), Cutlets, Schnitzels and Řízeks, Koláč ze žmolenkou, Noodle Ham Bake (Šunkofleky), Chicken soup, Easter Bread (Mazanec), Mushrooms with Scrambled Eggs, Fried Mushrooms and Tartar Sauce, Cauliflower patties (květákove karbanátky), Potato pancake (Bramborák), Goulash, Fried Meat Patties (Karbanatky), Dill Gravy with Dumplings, Eggnog.

All donations from individuals like you support CIAO's mission of getting information about Czechs and their many contributions to the betterment of the world out there. Together, through various media, we share the incredible spirit and power of the Czech people.

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