Welcome

Dear Friends,

This month our board and members have an opportunity to be a part of the 100th anniversary of the creation of Czechoslovakia and the role Rusyns played in the creation of Czechoslovakia. We will be celebrating this anniversary throughout the year with events and in C-RS Connection and the NRT.

On this anniversary both the Czech Republic and Slovakia will begin their celebrations of 100 years since the creation of Czechoslovakia. Under democratic Czechoslovakia, for the first time ever, Rusyns were able to have their own political organization with the goal of creating a homeland for all Rusyns. In that speech President Wilson spoke about freedom and the right of self-determination for various nations living within the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Thus, on October 28, 1918, Czechoslovakia was created. Under democratic Czechoslovakia, for the first time ever, Rusyns were able to have their own political organization with the goal of creating a homeland for all Rusyns.

In that same speech Wilson also announced his 14 Points, another important milestone was the 1918 Pittsburgh Agreement which took place a few months later and documented the rights of Rusyns in the newly created country. The Pittsburgh Agreement established the rights of Rusyns to choose their political organization and freedom to practice their religion and culture.

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An Important Milestone

January 9 is a special day in the history of C-Cleveland. On this day in 1918 Bishop Milan Lach, SJ was born. Bishop Lach grew up in the United States and is known for his work as a priest in Slovakia and what he thinks of life in the US. You will have an opportunity to hear from Bishop Lach.

The Carpatho-Rusyn Society presents “The Bishops: Extraordinary Things Rusyns Did for America.” This includes people such as Michael Strank, who fought to liberate the Pacific from Japanese occupation and for America’s freedom. This includes people such as Michael Strank, who fought to liberate the Pacific from Japanese occupation and for America’s freedom.

By getting together to view this program, we will have an opportunity to further your research. The presenters are highly qualified and knowledgeable and include Sunny Morton from 2-4 pm at the Parma Library, 6996 Powers Drive, Parma, OH. The program will be presented in a webinar format created by familytreewebinars.com. If you are not familiar with this site, please take a look. Webinars are presented every Wednesday and are available for one week for viewing.

To RSVP for the program, contact Alexis McCormick at am@c-rs.org. Please join us on January 9th from 2-4 pm at the Parma Library. You won’t want to miss this opportunity to learn about the role Rusyns played in the creation of Czechoslovakia.

January 6, 2018

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Our plans for 2018 include:

• Holding the C-RS Board of Directors election
• Having access to or providing assistance for speakers and performers
• Continuing with the renovation of our Cultural Center
• Overhauling our website
• Playing a significant role in the 100th anniversary of the creation of Czechoslovakia

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February 4, 2018

The Carpatho-Rusyn Society proudly presents “A People Surviving With Changing Borders” with guest speaker Professor Janusz W. Bokowski, PhD from the University of North Texas. The event will take place from 3-5 pm at the 1050 Grant Avenue, Dallas, TX. 75093. Free admission/donations welcomed. For more information, contact the coordinator at Jmbokowski@utdallas.edu.