Providing fitness and community for individuals and families through physical, educational, cultural, and social programs.

## 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Minnesota Sokol Camp Booya and Picnic Pine City, Sunday, August 12, Noon to 5 p.m. **By Ann Vanyo Miller**

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The Minnesota Sokol Camp Association hosts its 82nd Annual Sokol Camp Association Booya and Picnic on Sunday, August 12 from noon to 5 p.m. at our Minnesota Sokol Camp, 19201Woodland Acres South, Pine City, Minnesota. Everyone is invited to join us for a beautiful afternoon of good food, ethnic music, and dance entertainment in a country setting.

The Sokol Camp was built in 1926 for its members to "provide outdoor and indoor recreation." Our beloved Sokol Camp is located on the northeast corner of Cross Lake in Pine City, about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours north of the Twin Cities on Interstate 35. There are signs to help you find the campground after you exit Interstate 35 at exit 169 into Pine City.

The annual Booya has been a tradition since 1930. The fun-filled event features truly the Best Booya in Pine County and includes other homemade foods like cabbage rolls, meatloaf sandwiches, *jiternice*, hot dogs, brats, and *koláče* (fruit-filled pastries). There is also old-time music, dancing, bingo, a cash prize raffle, kiddy games, and a Country Store amidst the atmosphere of an old fashioned picnic. The Saint Paul Czech and Slovak Folk dancers, recently returned from their trip to the Czech Republic, perform ethnic dances.

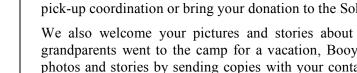
Our Country Store appreciates white elephant donations. Call Pat Andrle (651) 484-6360 for pick-up coordination or bring your donation to the Sokol Camp on August 12.

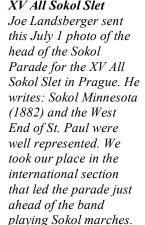
We also welcome your pictures and stories about Sokol Camp. Perhaps your parents or grandparents went to the camp for a vacation, Booya, or an Instructors' course. Share your photos and stories by sending copies with your contact information to Ann Miller, 707 170<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Somerset, Wisconsin 54025 or email <millervanyo@somtel.net>

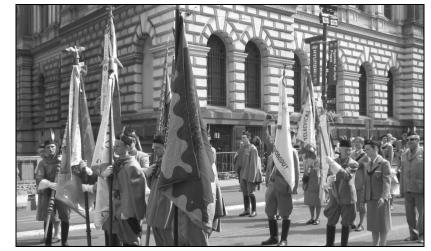
Visit our Facebook page: "Sokol Camp Booya" for maps, a menu, and pictures of the road signs, plus other fun pictures of past events.

Get away for a day and enjoy life at the Sokol Camp Booya and Picnic!

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## UPCOMING **EVENTS**

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September Slovo Deadline: August 1

**Board of Trustees** August 8

**Board of Directors** August 9, 7 p.m.

Sokol Camp Booya August 12, Pine City noon- 5 p.m.

Membership Meeting August 24, 7 p.m.

**Czech-Slovak Festival** Sunday, September 16, noon- 5 p.m. Int'l Institute of MN (see page 3)

Czech Proverb Lépe pozdě než nikdy. Better late than never.