

FIRST CATHOLIC SLOVAK UNION OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

The 2024 Annual Report for FCSU Region 3

This past year, 2024, has been a busy time for Region 3, District 17 and our respective Branches. I have continued to work with our area to increase membership and participation in the FCSU, through Life insurance policies, annuities and fraternal events. It has been exciting to meet new members and continue relationships with long time constituents. What an honor it has been and continues to be, serving and working with our Slovak Fraternal.

Board Activities:

- Attended and participated in all in-person and teleconference meetings of the Board of Directors
- Participated in National Picnic at Knoebel's in Elysburg PA

Activities in our Region:

- Updated Branch members about financial and fraternal information at District and Branch meetings
- Assisted numerous branch members with all of their FCSU concerns, selling policies, completing death benefits and expanding annuity sales in the region
- Planned District meeting for my area, Spring 2024
- Maintained lines of communication throughout the district and branches
- Served as branch treasurer for Branch 05P
- Encouraged member participation in fraternal activities and contests
- Attended Slovak Christmas singalong sponsored by the local Slovak Heritage Society
- Continued membership with the Slovak Heritage Society of North Eastern PA, attended dinner and annual meeting
- Attended District meeting in Binghamton N.Y
- Attended Slovak Festival sponsored by Sisters of Saint Cyril and Methodius in Danville PA

- Promoted attendance for the Knoebel's Picnic in 2024, over 35 members and friends attended
- Members supported Slovak Stations of the Cross in Wilkes Barre PA
- A social dinner was held for District 17 on April 20th 2024, planned by Elizabeth Slovenkai - Fraternal Activities Director
- Promoted scholarship programs to members
- Mailed FSCU promotional items to members

Fraternal Activities:

- Completed Annuity certification through a continuing education class required to maintain a Fraternal License
- Renewed professional Fraternal Insurance License for Pennsylvania
- Completed Branch stipend report
- Donated a raffle basket for ethnic festival, which included a Slovak Modra Vase
- Prepared advertisement for church bulletin
- Participated in Fraternal Societies of Northeast Pennsylvania (FSNEPA), attending meetings in Wilkes-Barre
- Attended FSNEPA Christmas Party
- Supported domestic violence center and assisted Veterans with Bingo games at local VA Hospital, as a community service
- Planned participation for Region 3 members to attend minor league baseball game in June 2024 – 16 members attended baseball game with the FSNEPA
- Held a well-received regional baseball game at local minor league field, increased participation to 59 attendees from the District
- Planned baseball game for August 15th 2025

Respectfully submitted,

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Regional Director