

Vzpomínka (47)

Český Westfest v americkém Westu, TX





**Saturday & Sunday
August 31 & September 1, 2002**

*Held on the West Fair & Rodeo Grounds
One Mile South of West on Main Street*

P.O. Box 65, West, TX 76691 - 254-826-5058



Westfest Information

Everyone associated with Westfest sincerely hopes that your visit to Westfest is a very comfortable and enjoyable experience for you and your family. We have provided a directory listing lodging facilities within a half-hour drive of the festival grounds, camping information and other important useful facts about Westfest.

- Parking \$2 per Car At the Festival - \$1 Adjacent to Grounds
- Hours: 11 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.
- Parade Downtown Saturday 10 a.m.
- Admission: Adults...\$6 - Children 6-12...\$3
Children Under 6 FREE when accompanied by Adult
(Friday Night Preview Party Admission to be announced)
- Separate Admission Charge Each Day
- Admission Good For All Dances, Entertainment, And Exhibits Within The Festival

Campgrounds

K.O.A. Campground is located north of West on Interstate 35 826-3869
Brazos River RV Park is located 12 miles west of West 826-3018 (8 to 5 p.m.)
or 829-1470 (after 5 p.m.)

Limited recreational vehicle parking spaces are provided adjacent to the festival grounds. These are by reservation only at a moderate cost. For more information call Westfest at 254-826-5058 or write to P.O. Box 65, West, Texas 76691.

Hotel-Motel Directory

At Area Codes 254

Waco

Best Western Old Main Lodge, 4th St. & I-35	753-0316
Days Inn-Waco, I-35 North	799-8585
Holiday Inn-Waco, 1001 E. Lake Brazos	753-0261
Lexington Inn, I-35 & University Parks Drive	754-1266
Motel 6, 1509 Hogan Lane	799-4957
Riverplace Inn, 101 N. I-35 & Lake Brazos	752-8222
Clarion Inn, 801 S. 4th & I-35	757-2000
Victorian Inn, Exit 335C, I-35	752-3388
Waco Hilton, 113 S. University Parks Drive	754-9484
Courtyard by Marriott, University Parks & Washington	752-8686
Super 8 Motel, 1320 S. Jack Kuitgen Expressway	754-1023
Hampton Inn, 4259 N. I-35	412-1999
Knight's Inn, 1510 E. I-35 (Exit 339)	799-0244
Comfort Inn, 1430 IH-35 South	752-1991

Hillsboro

Ramada Inn, Hwy 22 & I-35	582-3493
Best Western Hillsboro Inn, I-35	582-8465
Holiday Inn Express, I-35 & Hillview Dr	582-0220
Comfort Inn, I-35	582-3333



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Looking for something to do this Labor Day Weekend? You won't find a better entertainment value for the entire family than Westfest 2002. Thousands attend annually! You, too, can enjoy a family blend of food, culture, dance and just plain Czechoslovakian Fun!!!!

Lots to See & Lots to Do

Authentic Foods Old-fashioned feasting is the norm at Westfest! Start off with Czech sausage, pork sausage served in several different ways. At Westfest, you'll find sausage-on-a-stick, sausage sandwiches, sausage dogs, even sausage boats. Garnish with mustard or a very popular sauerkraut and your taste buds will bloom. How about dessert? You have to have a few kolaches, a fruit-filled Czech pastry upon which Westfest has built quite a reputation. You'll find apricot, pineapple, cherry, prune and other fillings including cheese, poppy seed and even sausage.

Children's Area There is plenty of fun in store for the kids at Westfest. The children can enjoy clowns performing at different times as well as a puppet show. There are also several games for your youngsters to play...Dunking Sam, ring toss, and many others. Plus, there is a large section of carnival rides especially selected for the younger children.

Arts & Crafts This year, our guests will be given the opportunity to view a large collection of art and craft items of exhibitors from all over the state of Texas. Every exhibitor is carefully juried each year to insure that only quality items are displayed in the exhibits. Westfest is the perfect place to get a head start on some of your unique Christmas shopping this year.

Miss Westfest Contest Friday night before Westfest, you can enjoy the Preview Party. Dancing begins at 6:30 p.m., and the crowning of Miss Westfest is at 7:30 p.m.

Parade The colorful Westfest Parade winds through the streets of downtown West Saturday morning beginning at 10 a.m. The Westfest Parade is one of the biggest parades in Central Texas each year. You will love the floats, the clowns, the bands and more.

Polka Mass The Cultural Amphitheater will be the site for the annual Westfest Polka Mass. This Catholic Mass begins Sunday morning at 10:15 a.m.

Taroky Tournament Back this year is the Westfest Taroky tournament. Players from all over the state compete for the right to be the Westfest Taroky Champion. For more information or to enter, you may call 254-826-5333 or 254-826-5351.

Kolache 5000+ Race Runners of all ages line up at 8 a.m. Sunday to run the 3-mile Westfest course. There are divisions for men and ladies in several age categories. Trophies are awarded for each division. Walkers are welcome. For information, call 254-826-5058.

Kolache Baking Contest Everyone is invited to enter their kolaches in the Westfest Kolache Baking contest. Judging is held Sunday at 1 p.m. There are both Professional and Non-Professional Divisions in several categories.

Horseshoe Pitching & Washers Our horseshoe tournament has shown increasing popularity every year. This year, we will be adding a Washer Tournament. It will be held on Saturday only beginning at 2 p.m. Phone 254-826-5058 for information on both.

The Best Entertainment

Our Cultural Amphitheater will find a big selection of various ethnic entertainment. In addition to Czechoslovakian dancing and costumes, you will find Norwegian, Mexican, German, Polish, Ukrainian and others. Sokol Gymnastics is also presented in this area. There is plenty of seating so that you may rest your feet as you view the colorful and entertaining culture of the world.

Our polka band lineup includes a Grammy Winner and a group from Wisconsin. Add to that our Texas Polka Bands and you have a variety of polkas and waltzes second to none.

Polka Bands

Saturday - East Tent

Noon - 4 p.m. Jodie Mikula Orchestra
4 p.m. - 8 p.m. Vrazel Polka Band
8 p.m. - 12 a.m. The Vanek Czech Band

Saturday - West Tent

Noon - 4 p.m. Praha Brothers
4 p.m. - 8 p.m. Brave Combo
8 p.m. - 12:15 a.m. Copper Box

Sunday - East Tent

Noon - 4 p.m. Czech & Then Some
4 p.m. - 8 p.m. Copper Box
8 p.m. - 12 a.m. Brave Combo

Sunday - West Tent

Noon - 4 p.m. The Sauerkrauts
4 p.m. - 8 p.m. The Harvesters
8 p.m. - 12 a.m. Charles Nemec Band

Cultural Entertainment

Saturday

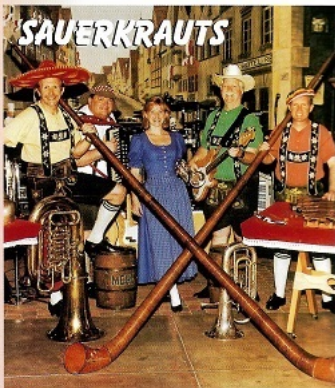
12:30 - 1:00 West High School Junior Historian Dancers
1:00 - 1:30 Texas Czech Beseda Dancers (Dallas)
1:30 - 2:00 Brazos Valley Cloggers (Waco)
2:00 - 2:30 Parade of Authentic Czech-Moravian Costumes
2:30 - 3:00 Ballet Folklorico Ocelotl (Waco)
3:00 - 3:30 Czech Folk Dancers (West)
3:30 - 4:00 Csardas Hungarian Dancers (Austin)
4:00 - 4:30 Mazurka Polish Dancers (San Antonio)
4:30 - 5:30 Sokol West Gymnasts Exhibition
5:30 - 6:00 Cadence Cloggers (San Antonio)
6:00 - 6:30 Zorya-Ukrainian Dance Ensemble (Dallas)
6:30 - 7:00 West Trojan Dazzlers

Sunday

12:30 - 1:00 Polka Lovers Klub of America Dancers (Dallas)
1:00 - 1:30 German Folk Dancers (San Antonio)
1:30 - 2:00 Csardas Hungarian Dancers (Austin)
2:00 - 2:30 Cadence Cloggers (San Antonio)
2:30 - 3:00 South Texas Polish Dancers
3:00 - 3:30 Czech Folk Dancers (West)
3:30 - 4:00 I Colori Italian Club Dancers (Dallas)
4:00 - 4:30 Alpine Dancers (Dallas)
4:30 - 5:30 Sokol West Gymnasts Exhibition
5:30 - 6:00 Norwegian Leikarringen Dancers (Dallas)
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Come Join Us On the World Wide Web at:

www.westfest.com



The Sauerkrauts Show-America's finest Alpine show band. Their musical variety show includes five costumed musician/entertainers; performances on Alpine folk instruments including Alpine cowbells, 3-12 foot long Alphorns, and the musical saw; Oktoberfest and novelty music and fun. The *SHOW* is what the Sauerkrauts are all about - entertaining, involving everyone no matter what kind of previous experience the audience has had with compah music. A lighthearted, humorous approach will have everyone singing, dancing, laughing and having the time of their life.