Nebraska Czechs Inc. Dr. Vladimir Kucera Award

The Nebraska Czechs Inc. will accept nominations for the Dr. Vladimir Kucera Award to be given annually during the State Czech-Slovak Queen Pageant. Nebraska Czechs chapters in good standing may submit a nomination for one individual each year in writing. The nomination is due by April 15th sent to the committee mailing or e-mail address.

Dr. Vladimir Kucera was an educator, teaching Czech language classes at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln, as well as a historian, having worked for the Nebraska State Historical Society for 38 years. He taught Czech language and culture at several small towns, and was very instrumental in getting many local chapters and festivals started. He published 14 books of Czech heritage. Dr. Kucera was a board member for the Nebraska Czechs, Inc. He was a recipient of the Nebraska Czechs of Wilber Knights of Blanik Award in 1969, and the King Charles Award in 1982.

Nominee Requirements:

1. Persons who has promoted, and preserved the Czech cultural heritage in Nebraska
2. The award is limited to living persons at the time of their nomination
3. They are not required to be of Czech descent
4. They are not required to be currently living in the State of Nebraska
5. They do not need to be members of a local chapter
6. They will be asked to be present at the State Queen Pageant to be recognized, and receive their award.

Letters submitted by the chapters should include a detailed list of contributions the nominee has made, and some background history. The nominating Nebraska Czechs chapters are encouraged to complete the Dr. Vladimir Kucera Award Nomination Form available on the Nebraska Czech’s website.

The Nebraska Czechs Inc. Dr. Vladimir Kucera Award selection committee will review and elect one individual each year to receive the award at the April Delegate meeting. The awardee will receive a framed award, and have their name placed on a plaque to be located in the Wilber Czech Cultural Center next to the display for Dr. Kucera.
Nebraska Czechs Chapter:
Nominee Name:
Address
City State Zip
Phone Cell Phone
(optional)
Email address (optional)

Explain in detail (here or on an attached sheet) the nominee’s primary contributions in
promoting the Czech heritage for which you are nominating the individual for the Nebraska
Czechs Inc. Dr. Vladimir Kucera Award.

Additional applicable references are welcome (i.e. newspaper articles, other published
references/documents)

I certify that the above statements and all related attachments to the nomination are true
and correct to the best of my knowledge.
Chapter President Signature

Date:

Send the completed application to the following committee address.
Applications must postmarked no later than April 15th.

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