

2019

ROYALTY

ADDIE BRECHKA - QUEEN | HALLIE MASEK - PRINCESS |
HANNAH STRIZEK - JR. PRINCESS | OWEN MINCHOW - PRINCE

RECIPIENT NAME

ADDIE BRECKA - QUEEN



I was crowned August 11, 2018 as the Prague Czech Queen. My grandma helped me create and make my kroj. Without her help and image I would not have been able to create such a beautiful outfit. I attended the Prague, Dwight, and Wilber festivals. I also attended Clarkson and competed in the Pageant for the Nebraska Czech Slovak Queen. It has been an amazing journey being able to learn about the amazing culture we are all a part of.

I currently go to school at Bryan College of health Sciences. I will be a junior in the nursing program there. I also work as a certified nursing assistant at Madonna. Being able to represent the Czech community and my family has been so rewarding. I hope that more people want to learn more about their heritage and the amazing culture we are all a part of. It has been a fulfilling experience.

HALLIE MASEK - PRINCESS



Hallie is the daughter of Matt and Amy Masek. She is 12 years old and will be a 7th grader at Bishop Neumann.

"I was honored by the opportunity to represent our heritage and continue the traditions of my family. My dad was Czech prince when he was young and talked about how much fun it was. It is very exciting and I love the dancing!"

HANNAH STRIZEK – JR. PRINCESS



Hannah is the 11 year old daughter of Shawn & Kathy Strizek and is entering the 6th grade.

She is excited to represent the Nebraska Czechs of Prague because that is where her Grandma Strizek originally grew up. "It's pretty awesome being the Jr. Czech Princess for Prague, Nebraska and I hope one day to visit Prague, Czech Republic!" She loves learning about her Czech heritage & enjoys polka dancing especially the 7 step polka. She loves attending the Czech festivals in Nebraska & hopes to go to Ennis, Texas to see other states Czech festivities. She likes to learn all about the different types of kroj especially the Moravian region where her Papa Lumir Oborny's family originated & the Bohemian region where her Grandma Marvine (Baxa) Oborny's & Grandpa Eldon/Grandma Lucille (Havlovic) Strizek's family originated. She also enjoyed picking out the material & trim of her new kroj in which her seamstress, Debbie Steager, did an outstanding job putting it all together. Her goal is to one day be a Czech Queen!



OWEN MINCHOW - PRINCE

Owen Minchow, son of Todd and Laura Minchow, is a 13 year old from Lincoln, Nebraska. He is entering the 7th grade, loves to polka, and his favorite koláč flavor is apricot.

He is excited and honored to represent the Nebraska Czechs of Prague because he loves his heritage and it helps him feel connected to his late grandfather, Adolph Nemec.