

Winter Celebrations of our Eastern European Ancestors

Sunday, Feb 12, 2012, St. Eugene Parish Hall, 264 Warrensville Center Road, Bedford, OH 2:30-6:00

What did our ancestors do during the cold, snowy, winter months in former Czechoslovakia, Poland, Hungary, Croatia and surrounding countries? Did they get "cabin fever"? Among Eastern European people, the period between Theophany/Epiphany and the Sunday before Lent was a time of music, dance and sewing bees where young men would find their future wives. It was a festive time when many marriages took place.

Come join us as *Dean Poloka*, program director and choreographer of the *Slavjane Folk Ensemble* from Mc Kees Rocks, PA educates and entertains us as he explains how dance evolved among the Eastern European people, focusing on the Carpatho-Rusyns. He will explore the cultural influences, the seasons and events that were expressed through music and dance with the participation of *Living Traditions Folk Ensemble* from Brecksville, a Carpatho-Rusyn dance group. How did our ancestors keep warm during these cold winter months? In addition, there will be an exhibit of winter clothing and items from local Eastern European cultural museums.

A complete roast beef dinner is included, along with a cash bar.
Children welcome. Adults, \$15, 7-12, \$5.00, Children under 7 free.



Sponsored by the Cleveland Chapter of the Carpatho-Rusyn Society

Reservations deadline February 7th. Please make check out to: Carpatho-Rusyn Society
Mail to: Barb Popovich, 31655 Arthur Road, Solon OH 44139

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Number attending:

Adults _____ Children _____

Check amount _____

Tickets will be held at the door, phone call will be made confirming your reservation.

Additional info: 440 729-2045