

Enjoy a sensational Slovenian weekend!

**The Slovenian Union of America
Centennial Celebration and National Convention**

Fortune Bay ~ Tower, Minnesota

July 30-August 1, 2026

Don't miss the opportunity to connect with others across the country who share Slovenian roots!

Basic Registration gives you access to a number of free workshops and presentations. Enriching add-on events are available for an additional cost.



Thursday, July 30th

Welcome by the tribe's spiritual advisor in a traditional ceremony.

Meet and greet with friends and dignitaries from across the country! Enjoy a light buffet and music.

Friday, July 31st

Convening of a business meeting of the national board with voting for new officers and discussing ways to improve. Additionally, enjoy workshops and presentations.

Don't miss the popular Potica Contest! See that page for details.



Camp Heritage

**Friday, July 31st
& Saturday, August 1st
Open to All Ages**



Activities

- Sing Slovenian songs and dance together
- Discover the Slovenian flag and its meaning
- Learn about Slovenian beekeeping and bee panels
- Enjoy traditional Slovenian music
- Learn Slovenian phrases
- Hear Slovenian folk tales

Campers will participate in hands-on activities and take home papers and projects.

Special Saturday Event at Zarjafest

- Staff from the Minnesota Discovery Center will present an entertaining and educational program, including a museum tour.

Note: A permission form is required for those 18 and under. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

**2026 SUA Convention Resort
Fortune Bay Resort and Casino**

1430 Bois Forte Rd.
Tower, MN 55790
800-992-7529

Both rooms and RV spaces available

A block of rooms is reserved, available on a first come, first served basis.

Start date: Thursday, July 30th

End date: Sunday, August 1st



Getting to Tower, Minnesota

By air:

Fly into Duluth (DLH)

~ 1.5 hours drive to Fortune Bay

Fly into Minneapolis (MSP)

~3.5 hours to Fortune Bay

Driving in Northern Minnesota can be so beautiful and green!



2026 Centenary Banquet Friday, July 31st

Join us for a banquet and awards ceremony featuring an evening of exceptional music. Highlights include there a historical presentation, the award presentation for ever popular Potica contest winner and music by a performance by the Hank Thunander Polka Band and Johnny Snidarich.



Zarjafest: A Celebration of Slovenian Culture Saturday, August 1st ~ Minnesota Discovery Center (MDC) Chisholm, Minnesota

Enjoy a full day of centenary celebration, music, and tradition!

Highlights:

- Music throughout the day
- Traditional Slovenian picnic lunch
- Lively polka band performance

Explore the Minnesota Discovery Center (MDC):

- Museum featuring mining and immigration history
- Beautiful grounds and scenic setting
- Genealogical research opportunities
- Outdoor activities, including putt-putt golf

At both locations, enjoy the many educational displays and exhibits.

Getting There:

- Take a scenic drive to MDC
- A bus will be available from Fortune Bay to MDC for a nominal fee

During the day, take the “slivo shuttle” to the Slovenski Dom in Chisholm for a quick bump!

