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# LIBERATION FESTIVAL PILSEN

LIBERATION BY THE US ARMY

**MAY 3-6, 2019**

## Friday, May 3

park behind shopping center Plzeň Plaza	9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.	<b>Military camp of the 16th Armored Division (US Army)</b> – WWII reenactment camp, Piper L4H aircraft replica, sleeping quarters, mobile workshop, mobile hospital, acoustic ammunition shooting WWII reenactment camps of the <b>Czechoslovak Independent Armored Brigade and The Royal Air Force (RAF)</b> 9:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m. school excursions, 1:30 p.m. singing performance WAAF and RAF, 3:00 p.m. singing performance WAAF, 5:00 p.m. signing session of the authors of literature dedicated to aircrafts Exhibitions
	1:00 p.m.	<b>Musical and cultural scene in the amphitheater</b> 1:00 p.m. <b>Radio Dixie</b> , 3:00 p.m. <b>military presentation</b> , 4:00 p.m. <b>THE MYNE</b> , 5:15 p.m. <b>military presentation</b> , 6:00 p.m. <b>SEMTEX</b>
	8:00 p.m.	<b>Open Air Military Ball</b> – Roman Kopecký Banjo Band
	10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.	<b>Municipal Police Plzeň presentation</b> – gear and equipment of riot units, program for children
Křižíkovy sady Proluka	9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.	<b>Military camp of the 2nd Infantry Division</b> Plzeň 1945 – living history – life of American soldiers in camps and life of Pilseners at that time 4:45 p.m. <b>folklor ensemble</b>
	9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.	<b>Workshops for schools</b> – commented tours in camp for pupils, reservation on <a href="http://www.plzen1945.cz">www.plzen1945.cz</a>
Pobřežní Str. (KD Peklo)	9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.	<b>Camp Raiders</b> – exposition dedicated to the modern armed forces of the Army of the USA, US Army and USMC in particular
Chodské Square	4:30 p.m.	<b>Laying of flowers</b> at the Monument of the 2nd Infantry Division
Husova Str.	5:30 p.m.	<b>Laying of flowers</b> at the Monument of the 16th Armored Division Memorial and at the memorial of Czechoslovak soldiers who fought on the Western Front
Republic Square	6:00 p.m.–10:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m. <b>Pilsen Conservatory Big Band</b>
		7:45 p.m. <b>Salutatory speech of the Mayor of the City of Pilsen</b>
		8:00 p.m. <b>Pilsen Philharmonic Orchestra – open air concert</b>

## Saturday, May 4

park behind shopping center Plzeň Plaza	9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.	<b>Military camp of the 16th Armored Division (US Army)</b> – WWII reenactment camp, Piper L4H aircraft replica, sleeping quarters, mobile workshop, mobile hospital, acoustic ammunition shooting WWII reenactment camps of the <b>Czechoslovak Independent Armored Brigade and The Royal Air Force (RAF and WAAF)</b> 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. singing performance WAAF and RAF, 3:00 p.m. singing performance WAAF, Exhibitions
	10:00 a.m.	<b>Musical and cultural scene in the amphitheater</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>Radio Dixie</b> , 11:00 a.m. <b>military presentation</b> , 12:00 p.m. <b>Radio Dixie</b> , 2:00 p.m. <b>JACK RELOADED</b> , 3:00 p.m. <b>military presentation</b> , 3:45 p.m. <b>Diamonds Dance Group</b> “Beautiful women on armored vehicles dancing to the rhythm of Tingl Tangl”, 4:30 p.m. <b>POUTNÍCI</b> , 5:30 p.m. <b>military presentation</b> , 6:00 p.m. <b>Diamonds Dance Group</b> “Beautiful women on armored vehicles dancing to the rhythm of Tingl Tangl”, 6:30 p.m. <b>TAXMENI</b>
	8:00 p.m.	<b>Open Air Military Ball</b> – TUTEN SWING
	10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.	<b>Municipal Police Plzeň presentation</b> – gear and equipment of riot units, program for children
Křižíkovy sady Proluka	10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.	<b>Interactive family competition „From Dunkirk to Plzeň“</b>
	9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.	<b>Military camp of the 2nd Infantry Division</b> Plzeň 1945 – living history – life of American soldiers in camps and life of Pilseners at that time 2:00 p.m. – <b>MLADINKA A ONDRÁŠEK</b> – children folklore ensembles 4:00 p.m. <b>Fashion Window</b> – clothing of the 30's and 40's 20th century 5:15 p.m. <b>Back to 1945 Special</b> – dance party
Pobřežní Str. (KD Peklo)	9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.	<b>Camp Raiders</b> – exposition dedicated to the modern armed forces of the Army of the USA, US Army and USMC in particular
Měšťanská beseda	9:00 a.m.	<b>Meeting with WWII veterans, signing session</b>
Míru Square	4:30 p.m.	<b>Commemorative ceremony</b> at the Monument to the fighters and victims of the world wars and the Monument to the fallen members of the West Bohemian Aero club in the WWII and at the Monument to the fallen Pilseners in May uprising 1945
Republic Square	12:00 p.m.	<b>Junior Orchestra Plzeň</b>
	1:45 p.m.	<b>General Patton scholarship award announcement</b>
	2:30 p.m.	<b>Five Rivers Blues Band</b>
	4:30 p.m.	<b>Pilsner Jazz Band</b>
	6:30 p.m.	<b>New Time Orchestra and Hana Holíšová</b>
	9:00 p.m.	<b>Čechomor</b>
Amphitheater Lochotín	8:00 p.m.	<b>Concert of Swedish metal band SABATON</b> <a href="http://www.ticketportal.cz">www.ticketportal.cz</a>

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## Sunday, May 5

park behind shopping center Plzeň Plaza	2.00 p.m.–6.00 p.m.	<b>Military camp of the 16th Armored Division (US Army)</b> – WWII reenactment camp, Piper L4H aircraft replica, sleeping quarters, mobile workshop, mobile hospital, acoustic ammunition shooting WWII reenactment camps of the <b>Czechoslovak Independent Armored Brigade and The Royal Air Force</b> (RAF and WAAF) 2.00 p.m. signing session of the authors of literature dedicated to aircrafts, 3.00 p.m. singing performance WAAF, Exhibitions
	10.00 a.m.	<b>Musical and cultural scene in the amphitheater</b> 10.00 a.m. <b>Radio Dixie</b> , 2.30 p.m. <b>ST. JOHNNY</b> , 3.30 p.m. <b>military presentation</b> , 4.30 p.m. <b>BIG BOY BAND</b>
	10.00 a.m.–6.00 p.m.	<b>Municipal Police Plzeň presentation</b> – gear and equipment of riot units, program for children
Křížkovy sady Proluka	9.00 a.m.–6.00 p.m.	<b>Military camp of the 2nd Infantry Division</b> Plzeň 1945 – living history – life of American soldiers in camps and life of Pilseners at that time 1.00 p.m. <b>THE DIXIE HOT LICKS</b> , 3.00 p.m. <b>Men and Women Fighting</b> – military uniforms presentation
Pobřežní Str. (KD Peklo)	9.00 a.m.–6.00 p.m.	<b>Camp Raiders</b> – exposition dedicated to the modern armed forces of the Army of the USA, US Army and USMC in particular
Sukova Str. – Klatovská Ave. – sady Pětatřicátníků – Republic Square	11.00 a.m.	<b>CONVOY OF LIBERTY</b> – historic military vehicles parade; <b>historic and modern army aircraft flypast</b> 11.00 a.m. leaving the marshaling area 12.30 p.m. expected arrival to the city center
Republic Square	11.30 a.m.	Welcoming the Convoy of Liberty in the Republic Square according to the folk traditions
	2.00 p.m.	<b>Eddie Edward &amp; Friends</b>
	3.30 p.m.	<b>Marien</b>
	5.00 p.m.	<b>Hradištan &amp; Jiří Pavlica</b>

## Monday, May 6

Křížkovy sady Proluka	9.00 a.m.–6.00 p.m.	<b>Military camp of the 2nd Infantry Division</b> Plzeň 1945 – living history – life of American soldiers in camps and life of Pilseners at that time 9.00 a.m.–2.00 p.m. <b>Workshops for schools</b> – commented tours in camp for pupils, reservation on <a href="http://www.plzen1945.cz">www.plzen1945.cz</a>
City hall, Republic Square	10.30 a.m.	<b>Commemorative ceremony</b> at the memorial plaques of the Brotherhood of 17th Battalion of the Belgian Shooters and the Plaque dedicated to the 16th Armored Division of the US Army
Americká Ave.	4.00 p.m.	<b>The main commemorative ceremony at the Thank you, America! memorial</b>

## Accompanying program

Moving Station, Jižní Předměstí	April 15	<b>Pilsen Talks II</b> <b>What is reality? What can we trust in today's world of media and social networks?</b> – manipulation with information by Fake News and social networks; lectures by the leading experts for a broad public for free Held by the American center US Point of the West Bohemian University in Pilsen
Pilsen city district no. 4 (Doubavka)	April 17	<b>Remembering the air raid and WWII victims</b> 10.00 a.m. <b>Sousedská Str.</b> , 11.30 a.m. <b>Jateční Str.</b>
City hall, Republic Square	April 20–May 30	<b>The fatal year 1939 and City of Plzeň</b> – exhibition
Plzeň-Litice	April 25, 4.30 p.m.	<b>Commemorative ceremony</b> at the American Airmen Memorial

## Accompanying program (continued)

Plzeň-Křimice	April 27, 12.00 p.m.	<b>Commemorative ceremony</b> at the US Airmen Memorial and Křimice fallen citizens in the WWI and WWII
Ethnographic museum of the Pilsen region, Republic Square 13	April 30–July 28	<b>Not to lose faith in humanity: protectorate through the eyes of the Jewish children</b> <b>The story of children: the pictures by the children from the Theresienstadt ghetto</b> – a pair of travelling exhibitions borrowed from the Jewish museum in Prague
Šafaříkovy sady	April 30–May 22	<b>Allies/Poles and Czechs on the WWII battlefields</b> – exposition of the stories of the joint fight of Poland and Czechoslovakia; set up by the Polish Institute in Prague together with the Military History Institute Prague
Smetanovy sady, U Branky	May 2–30	<b>From Dunkirk to Plzeň – the story of the Czechoslovakian independent armored brigade</b> exhibition, vernissage May 2 at 1.00 p.m.
	May 2, 2.00 p.m.	<b>Jom ha-šoa – Holocaust Remembrance Day</b> – public reading of the holocaust victims, public welcome to participate; held by Terezín Initiative Institute
Pilsen city district no. 4 Habrmanovo Square	May 3, 2.00 p.m.	<b>Commemorative ceremony</b> honoring the fallen Czechoslovak airmen from Pilsen-Doubavka and laying flowers at the memorial plaque at the former Conservatory
Patton Memorial Pilsen	May 3–6, 9.00 a.m.–6.00 p.m.	<b>Museum tours</b>
Kopeckého sady 11	May 4, 2.00 p.m.	<b>„The Accidental Hero“</b> – multimedia one-man show – a story about freedom, war and question Who am I? Author Patrick Dewane, for free
Sokolovna Karlov	May 4, 3.30 p.m.	<b>Laying of the wreaths ceremony at the RAF memorial</b>
Loos interiors	May 3, 5.00 p.m.	<b>Bendova Str. 10 – The Czechoslovak first republic fashion show at Loos</b>
	May 4, 10.00 a.m.–4.15 p.m.	<b>Klatovská Ave. 19</b> – Hugo Semler apartment interior tours – tickets can not be bought at the place
Tickets at Tourist Information Center or at <a href="http://www.plzenskavstupenka.cz">www.plzenskavstupenka.cz</a>		
Tourist Information Centre of the City of Pilsen, Republic Square	May 3–5	<b>Plzeň in the time of liberation</b> – guided tours; tickets at Tourist Information Center or at <a href="http://www.plzenskavstupenka.cz">www.plzenskavstupenka.cz</a>
Bory park	May 4–5	<b>Freedom cup</b> – international parachuting competition
DEPO2015	May 4, 10.00 a.m.–6.00 p.m.	<b>DEPO Street Food Market</b>
DEPO2015 – the lower parking lot	May 4, 9.00 a.m.–6.00 p.m.	<b>US military history vehicles exhibiton</b> , presentation of the Mustang cars
Plzeň – Hidden city	May 4, 10.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.	<b>Neighborhood walks</b> – explore the city through personal stories and memories, tickets: <a href="http://www.plzenskavstupenka.cz">www.plzenskavstupenka.cz</a>
Old Synagogue	May 5, 6.00 p.m.	<b>David Syme</b> (American pianist) – <b>concert</b>
The Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary, Františkovská Str.	May 5, 6.30 p.m.	<b>Military mass with the bishop Tomáš Holub</b> for all the fallen freedom fighters, uniform parade
Pilsen city district no. 4 (Doubavka)	May 9	<b>Laying of flowers at the Monuments</b> 10.00 a.m. <b>Újezd</b> (Karel Panuška Square), 10.30 a.m. <b>Hřbitovní Str.</b> (firemen arsenal compound), 11.00 a.m. <b>Lobzy shooting range</b>

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