

ASW SPRÁVODAJ

January 2010

NEXT MEETING



Wednesday
January 6, 2010
8:00 PM
Little Falls Library
5501 Massachusetts Avenue
Bethesda, MD 20816



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MESSAGE FROM STAROSTKA

Dear Sokol Members and Friends:

Welcome to 2010! On behalf of the ASW Board I want to extend to all our wishes for a year filled with hope, happiness and peace, and, of course, a year filled with many wonderful Sokol activities where our members and friends of all ages can enjoy the company of old friends and meet new ones.

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CALENDAR

January 2010

For details, locations and future events see p. 2

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					Happy New Year! 	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Vermont Ski Trip ends	8 - 10 PM Volleyball	Indoor Soccer League	8 PM ASW Monthly Meeting @ Little Falls Library (see side banner)		7 - 8 PM Czech/ Slovak School 7 - 8 PM Czech/Slovak Preschool 8 - 10 PM Children's Gymnastics 8:30 - 9:30 PM Adult Yoga	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Martin Luther King's Day NO ACTIVITIES - Schools are closed	Indoor Soccer League			7 - 8 PM Czech/ Slovak School 7 - 8 PM Czech/Slovak Preschool 8 - 10 PM Children's Gymnastics 8:30 - 9:30 PM Adult Yoga	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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EVENT DETAILS

What	When	Details
Volleyball	Mondays, January 4, 11, and 25 8:00 – 10:00 PM	At Wood Acres Elementary School 5800 Cromwell Dr., Bethesda, MD 20816 Please remember to bring appropriate clothing and shoes (rubber sole sturdy shoes) for your children so that they may safely participate in gymnastics.
Czech and Slovak School	Fridays, January 8, 15, 22, and 29 7:00 – 8:00 PM	
Children's Gymnastics	Fridays, January 8, 15, 22, and 29 8:00 – 10:00 PM	
Gymnastics for the Little Ones*	Fridays, January 8, 15, 22, and 29 8:00 – 9:30 PM	
Adult Yoga/Zumba	Fridays, January 8, 15, 22, and 29 8:30 – 9:30 PM	
Czech and Slovak Preschool	Fridays, January 8, 15, 22, and 29 7:00 – 8:00 PM	
<p>*Gymnastics for the Little Ones are being offered during the same time as the gymnastics for the older children. Parent participation is crucial so please make sure you are available to help few times a month. The class is led by Olga Simakova and runs from approximately 8 to 9:30 pm.</p> <p>ASW is still looking for volunteers willing to help with children gymnastics and the aerobics/yoga classes. Those interested, please leave a message for Br. Miroslav Honzák or Sis. Olga Simakova at (703) 759-1500 or send them an email at sokol@sokolwashington.org.</p>		
Indoor Soccer League 	Tuesdays	Sokol Washington soccer players continue to enjoy an indoor soccer season. Fans or prospective participants can come and watch or play at the Fairfax Sportsplex in Springfield, VA. Those interested should contact Br. Josef Cerny at (703) 861-7039 or bobescerny@msn.com for exact playing times.
Sibrinky/Fasiangy	February 20, 2010	The annual dinner and dance at St. Luke's Orthodox Church
Weekend Hike in Shenandoah National Park	April 2010	Traditional hiking weekend in the Shenandoah National Park. For more information, contact Br. Pavel Klein at: (301) 424-1658 or at kleinp@epilepsydc.com
Josefska Party	March or April 2010	A traditional party for everyone. ASW welcomes volunteers to help organize this party. Should you be interested in helping to organized this party please do not hesitate to contact Br. Tibor Bartalos at tbartalos@sokolwashington.org
Canoe Trip 	May 29 -31, 2010	Three day canoe trip over the Memorial Day weekend on the Southern Branch of the Potomac in the Monangahela National Forest, West Virginia. For more information, contact Br. Pavel Klein at: (301) 424-1658 or at kleinp@epilepsydc.com

American Sokol Washington, DC Chapter, Inc. (ASW) is a non-profit organization and all of its officers are volunteers. That's why it's important that all members and friends, at least from time to time, offer their contribution to help our Sokol Unit thrive.

Our Unit can be only as good as our members' participation in its activities.

Detailed information about the above planned events will be published in this flyer and on the ASW website.

MESSAGE FROM STAROSTKA (*Continued*)

Please join us this Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. for our monthly meeting at Little Falls Library in Bethesda.

Šťasný, zdravý a pokojný Nový Rok!

Nazdar,

Lucia

Lucia Maruska Levendis

ASW MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR YEAR 2010

Sokol Washington, D.C membership fees 2010 were approved at the December 02, 2009 Sokol Washington, D.C monthly meeting as follow:

- Individual Membership (adult /voting) \$35.00
- Two Adults Membership (both voting)..... \$65.00
- Family Membership I. (one adult voting / all children up to 18 years and other non-voting adults) \$45.00
- Family Membership II. (both adults voting / all children up to 18 years)..... \$70.00
- New Member One-time Administrative Fee \$5.00

New Member's Fee will be prorated quarterly.

The deadline to submit Sokol Washington, D.C. membership dues is March 31, 2010. Please make your check payable to Sokol Washington, D.C., and mail it at your earliest convenience to the Financial Secretary:

Br. Tibor Bartalos

1001 3rd Street, SW, Apt. 705

Washington, D.C. 20024

Please remember, you are not a full Sokol member with voting privileges until you participate in a monthly meeting(s) and consent to take the Sokol oath.

All your contributions to Sokol Washington, D.C., a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, are tax deductible.

Please give us your consideration when you are deciding on your end-of-year contributions. If you are contributing through the United Way, our CFC designation code is 5043.

Your support will directly benefit all our activities and is greatly appreciated!

CZECH AND SLOVAK SCHOOL

Our Czech and Slovak School teaches young children ages 5 – 12. We have two Czech and two Slovak classes that are held every Friday from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM at Wood Acres Elementary School on 5800 Cromwell Dr., Bethesda, MD 20816.

We include traditional singing and dancing (folklor). The children enthusiastically performed at Mikulasska (St. Nicolas) Party which was a great success.

After school from about 8:00 – 10:00 pm, the children move into the gymnasium for optional Sokol gymnastics.

If you are interested in registering your child, please e-mail Andrea Kohlmayer at andreakohlmayer@gmail.com or come in person to the school any Friday.

Our adult Slovak class continues, meeting at the above location from 8:00 – 9:00 PM.

Please let us know if you are interested or know anyone who would like to learn the Czech language.

OF INTEREST

WW2 Veterans with Czech and Slovak Roots Needed - Slovak Public Television Bratislava is preparing a full-length documentary film focused on the last months of the WW2 (January-May 1945). It'll be put on air in May 2010. Mr. Dusan Hudec is a freelance director and scriptwriter of the documentary. He would like to ask for cooperation and interview the former Allied soldiers with the Czech and Slovak roots who fought against the Germans in Western and Central Europe in 1945. Have you been in touch with the WW2 veterans with the Czech and Slovak roots or do you know some of them living in East Coast of the USA? Or can you recommend him some institutions where to ask for information? Is there a Czechoslovak WW2 veterans organization in the USA?

He started research and the plan is to film 10 days in the USA in March 2010. Your assistance and advice will be warmly appreciated. Contact Mr. Hudec at dusan.hudec@hotmail.com.

A Message from the Czechevents Network - Dear Compatriots, we at Czechevents Network wish you a Merry Christmas and a productive New Year 2010 in promoting the Czech and Slovak cultures in North America.

Our website www.czechevents.net is now serving more than 8000 visitors per month and we trust it has been useful to your organization as well. Please, contact us, if you are looking for musical performances, or art exhibits related to the Czech or Slovak cultural roots, as well as, to inform us about your activities.

Once again, we wish you the best of the holiday season and hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely, Lubomir Novotny, Executive Director, Czech North American Chamber of Commerce & Culture Inc,
www.czechevents.net/cnaccc

Enhancing Children's Lives in the Communities Where They Live - in this fast paced world the Slovakia Playground Foundation www.sloviaplaygrounds.org would like smiling kids networking the old fashion way. Face to face - On the playgrounds – Being active! Slovakia Playground Foundation is a Virginia-based 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to providing quality playgrounds for the children of Slovakia.

Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences 25th World Congress – Central Theme: Contributions of Czechs and Slovaks to Science and Technology of the 21st Century, June 27 – July 3, 2010 in Tabor, Czech Republic. For more information, visit www.svu2000.org.

Slovakcooking.com - Check out this website dedicated to traditional Slovak recipes at www.slovakcooking.com. They come with step-by-step photo illustrations. The website creator is looking for more contributors, especially those who know how to bake delicious Slovak sweets (kolace, torty, etc...). If you'd like to share your recipes, contact Lubos Brieda at lubos@slovakcooking.com.

Memories of Slovakia: Slovak Paintings in American Collections – November 17, 2009 until mid January 2010 - The Embassy of the Slovak Republic in Washington D.C. and the Friends of Slovakia have the honor to present the exhibition Memories of Slovakia: Slovak Paintings in American Collections, which will showcase works of established Slovak artists held by Slovak and American collectors within US.

For further information, please call the Embassy of the Slovak Republic at 202-237-1054.

2010 Miss Czech Slovak US Scholarship Pageant is searching for candidates to represent states from the East Coast. This is a wonderful opportunity for a young woman to be able to represent her passion for her heritage, meet other young women with similar interests, and possibly win scholarship money or other prizes - over \$10,000 in cash and prizes will be awarded. The national pageant reaches over 40,000 Czechs and Slovaks.

General requirements:

- Contestant must be age 16-26 of Czech or Slovak decent
- Contestant must be a US Citizen (or have a valid Social Security Number)
- Contestant must be able to travel to Wilber, Nebraska August 7, 8, and 9, 2010
- Contestant must either live in or attend school in the state she represents

There are 4 competition categories: Private Interview; On-stage Interview; Kroj Modeling; Talent Presentation

Interested? MaryElizabeth Lackey would love to hear from you, please contact her at (785) 317-5010 or mary_eliza@yahoo.com, and visit www.missczechslovakus.com.

Czechoslovak Happy Hour – a social gathering of Czech and Slovak community and friends. Feel free to obtain more info at <http://cshappyhour.net/index.html>

The Washington Czech Language and Slovak Language Meetup Groups at
<http://czech.meetup.com/126/> and <http://slovak.meetup.com/34/> and Northern Virginia Meetup Group
<http://czech.meetup.com/154/>

The Museum of Czech and Slovak Exiles from the 20th Century, located in Brno, wishes to inform all exiles of Czech and Slovak origin around the world of its founding, and is asking them for their collaboration and support. In addition to serving as a permanent exhibition center, the Exile Museum will also accept, store and collate archives of exiles, it will also support production of documentary films and more. The Museum requests that exiles and their families send it all documents, papers, data and other source materials to support our work. For more information or if you have materials to donate, contact Jan Kratochvil, OCM, Director, Museum of Czech and Slovak Exiles – 20th century, Stefanikova 22, 602 00 Brno, Czech Republic, Europe, tel. no.: 011-420-603-552-351, email: muzeumexil@muzeumexil.cz.

NOTE: If you are planning to visit the Museum of Czech and Slovak Exiles, please arrange your visit in advance via e-mail or the phone number listed above.

Czech and Slovak Theatre Abroad edited by Vera Borkovec - the book is a historical document dealing with Czech and Slovak theatre in the USA, Canada, Australia and England. The book can be ordered from the editor-distributor Vera Borkovec at 12013 Kemp Mill Road, Silver Spring, Maryland 20902-1515 (aborkovec@comcast.net). Payment must be by check in U.S. dollars and made payable to SVU. The price of each book is \$20. For shipment by airmail (the ground shipment is no longer available), you must add: \$5 for USA = \$25; \$6 for Canada = \$26; \$10 for all other countries = \$30.