

AMERICAN SOKOL, WASHINGTON, D.C.

REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, February 6, 2008, 8:00 P.M.

at

St. Luke Orthodox Church, 6801 Old Georgetown Pike, McLean, VA.

After a short business meeting, join us for conversation during a traditional social hour with soft drinks, coffee and snacks. Looking forward to seeing you there!

MESSAGE FROM THE MISTO-STAROSTA

Dear Brothers and Sisters, and Friends of Sokol Washington! at the last monthly meeting, Br. Miroslav Neovesky tendered his resignation as President of Sokol Washington. Miro and his wife Jean are moving to Pittsburgh, PA, where he will no doubt, pick up where he left off here, that is, continue to be involved in Sokol, but in Pittsburgh, PA. He still has family here, so he will be visiting us occasionally.

Miro was a very active "Starosta" (President); he was involved in almost every aspect of our activities, as a matter of fact he even participated in our weekly volleyball sessions. The incorporation of Soccer activities, as well as the renewal of the "Šibrinky-Fašiangy" dinner dance", was started under his tenure. The recent renaissance that Sokol Washington, DC has experienced is largely due to his efforts and energy. We must make every effort to try and complete some of the ideas that he was considering: Czech and Slovak classes for children and adults, Sokol Singing Society renewal, possibly incorporating a Hockey program, and a resumption of more cultural and educational activities like the annual celebration of the Czech and Slovak October 28th Liberation. As an organization with Slavic-American roots, also under consideration was the idea of Sokol Washington, DC teaming with other Slavic-American groups (Polish, Serbian, Ukrainian, Croatian, Bulgarian, etc.) in the Washington area for an annual Slavic St. Cyril and Methodius event, to expand our reach. Miro will definitely be missed – but we cannot disappoint him. We have to keep working hard so he will see progress when comes to Washington on his next visit!

Miro, from all of us: Mnoho Stesti a Nazdar! (Best of Luck and on to success!)

For those of you who enjoyed our recent annual Mikuláška, we hope to see you at the upcoming "Šibrinky-Fašiangy" dinner dance this Saturday, February 9th, which I am sure you will enjoy!

Nazdar! / Tonda Bartos, Vice President, American Sokol Washington, DC

E-mail Address – Our E-mail address is <u>sokol@sokolwashington.org</u>. If you don't have E-mail or can't access our site then send us a signed written request and we will keep sending you a paper copy of our flyer.



FEBRUARY EVENTS



Volleyball: Mondays, February 4, 11, and 25 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Gymnastics for Children: Fridays, February 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 8:00 to 9:45 p.m.

Aerobics for Adults Fridays, February 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 8:00 to 9:40 p.m.



Volleyball and Gymnastics are taking place at Wood Acres Elementary School, 5800 Cromwell Dr., Bethesda, MD. For more information call Br. Pavel Klein at (301) 424.1658 or Milos Toth at (202) 299.7830.

February 9 – The annual "**Sibrinky** – **Fašiangy**" Dinner - Dance at St. Luke's Orthodox Church. Will serve Schnitzel, Potato Salad and Kotlikovy Gulaš alogn with Pilsener Urquel (on tap) and wine. The Slovak Folk Music Group PAJTÁŠI from New York will provide entertainment.

February 16 – 30th Annual "BACA CUP" Intl' Invitational Ski Race and Party will be held at 12:00 Noon, Saturday February 16, 2008, at the Blue Knob Ski Resort located in Claysburg, PA. For more info, visit www.bacacup.com To register in advance please contact Dasha or Carl Fletcher at Dashafletcher@yahoo.com or CWFletcher@mris.com For additional information, and directions to the Blue Knob Ski resort, please contact the resort directly at 800 – 458.3403 or 814 – 239.5111.

MEMBERSHIP ISSUES

The New Year is here and with it the time for payment of membership dues.

The membership dues are \$29.00 per member and the deadline to submit Sokol Washington, D.C. membership dues is March 31, 2008.

You can also enroll for a Sokol Washington, D.C. family membership of \$40.00 (the family membership includes all children age to 18).

New members also pay a one-time administrative fee \$5.00

Members, who did not pay the dues to date, please make your check payable to Sokol Washington, D.C., and mail it at your earliest convenience to our Financial Secretary:

Br. Tibor Bartalos 1001 3rd St., S.W., Apt. 705 Washington, D.C. 20024

UNITED WAY CONTRIBUTIONS

Your contributions to Sokol Washington, D.C. (501c3) are tax deductible. Please give us your consideration when you are deciding on your end-of-year contributions. The United Way CFC designation code for our unit is 5043.



FUTURE - PLANNED EVENTS

Detailed Information about Planned Events will be published either in this Flyer or on our WEB page: http://www.sokolwashington.org

Early March:		- Indoor Soccer Season is starting in early March. Fans or prospective
Larry Wiar Cir.	League Soccer	participants can come to watch or play Tuesdays at the Fairfax
	League Socces	Sportsplex in Springfield, VA. We are also planning on forming an
		outdoor soccer team in the Spring or Summer of 2008.
		Those interested should contact Br. Josef Cerny at 703-861-7039 or at:
		Bobescerny@msn.com
Continual	Recreational	- We also hold open, walk-in soccer games Sundays; weather
	Soccer	permitting, on the fields of Spring Hill Recreation Center, near Tyson's
		Corner. This is non-competitive, in that it's primary purpose is only to
		"work up a thirst" for Pilsner Urquell, which is not very hard.
		Br. Josef Cerny at 703-861-7039 or at: Bobescerny@msn.com
April 5:	Volleyball	– A traditional sporting event with guests from Sokol New York and
	Tournament	Sokol units from other cities.
		Contact babinak@aol.com
April 5:	Josefska Party	– 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@gmail.com
April:	Hiking	- Hiking weekend in Shenandoah for children and parents. For more
		information on this event contact Br. Pavel Klein at 301-424-1658 or at
	~ .	kleinp@epilepsydc.com
May, Memorial	Canoeing	- Canoeing trip on the Southern Branch of the Potomac, in
day weekend:		Monangahela National Forest, WVA. For more information on this
		event contact Br. Pavel Klein at 301-424-1658 or at
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May:	Tennis	– An annual sporting event attracting local & out of town participants.
	Tournament	Leave a message for Igor Labuda at:
T1	C	703-759-1500 with your suggestions or offers of help.
July:	Soccer	- We are planning to hold our 3 rd Annual Sokol Washington Soccer
	Tournament and	Tournament and Pig Roast, which grew to 11 teams last year! Contact
	Pig Roast	Br. Josef Cerny at 703-861-7039 or at: Bobescerny@msn.com
2nd half of	Summer Camp	- Children's summer camp at Blue Rock, Monangahela National Forest,
August:		WV. For more information on this event contact Br. Pavel Klein at
_		301-424-1658 or at kleinp@epilepsydc.com



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASW is still looking for volunteers willing to help with children gymnastics. Those interested, please contact Br. Pavel Klein at 301.424.1658 or kleinp@epilepsydc.com

Sokol Washington, D.C. Libor Kozak Fund www.liborkozak.com - a special "Thank you" to all who already contributed.

Detska hodina/Childern's Hour" - if you have any children between the ages of 12 and 30 months and are interested in an invitation to "Detska hodina/Children's Hour", e-mail Sabina at detskahodina@yahoo.com Sabina has a little boy herself and it would be her pleasure to organize a monthly gathering of children and their moms/parents. There would be a lot of singing Czech songs, dancing, fairy- tale reading, etc. In your e-mail, please state the number of children you would like to bring as well as their ages.

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

Screening of movie '*All My Loved Ones*' (*Všichni moji blízci*) on Wednesday, February 13, 2008, at 8 pm. Avalon Theatre, 5612 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, DC 20015, http://www.theavalon.org/

"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. There is a chapter by Vera Borkovec about Czech and Slovak theatre in the USA since the 19th century and about Czech Marionette theatre in America by the well-known puppeteer Vít Horejš. More comprehensive chapters about theatre in Canada are by Markéta Goetz-Stankiewicz and by Josef Cermák, respectively, and specifically about Toronto's New Theatre is the chapter by Frank Safertal and Pavel Král, while actordirector Josef Skála writes about Vancouver's Theatre Around the Corner.

Oliver Fiala has put together a chapter about Czech and Slovak theatre in Australia, with emphasis on the Adelaide, Melbourne and Sydney regions. Milan Kocourek deals with the émigré theatre in London. The book has 128 pages of text and about 70 pages of illustrations from various productions. The beautiful jacket has been designed by the Czech-American graphic artist Líba Puchmajer.

The book can be ordered from the editor-distributor Vera Borkovec (<u>aborkovec@comcast.net</u>) at 12013 Kemp Mill Road, Silver Spring, Maryland 20902-1515. 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.