

ASW SPRAVODAJ

February 2012

NEXT MEETING



Wednesday
February 1, 2012
8:00 PM
Bethesda Regional Library
7400 Arlington Rd.
Bethesda, MD 20814
(240) 777-0970

DON'T MISS

Sibrinky/Fasiangy /Masopust Party

Saturday, February 4, 2012
7:30 PM
See p. 2 for details

Baca Cup Ski Race

Tentative Date:
Saturday, February 18
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MESSAGE FROM STAROSTKA

Dear Sokol Members and Friends:

We have two exciting events coming up this month. On Saturday, February 4, dust off your dancing shoes and come to our traditional Šibrinky/Fašiangy/Masopust - Mardi Gras Party. You'll enjoy wonderful music by Pajtáši, delicious traditional food, Pilsner on tap and great prizes! Don't forget your costume or a mask! And, on Saturday, February 18, we invite you...

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CALENDAR

February 2012

For details, locations and future events see p. 2

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			8 PM ASW Monthly Meeting @ Bethesda Library (see side banner)		7 - 8 PM Czech/ Slovak School 7:15 - 8 PM Czech/Slovak Preschool 8:15 - 10 PM Children's Gymnastics 8:30 - 9:30 PM Adult Yoga	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	8 - 10 PM Volleyball @ Woodacres ES				7 - 8 PM Czech/ Slovak School 7:15 - 8 PM Czech/Slovak Preschool 8:15 - 10 PM Children's Gymnastics 8:30 - 9:30 PM Adult Zumba	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	!!! No volleyball - School Event				7 - 8 PM Czech/ Slovak School 7:15 - 8 PM Czech/Slovak Preschool 8:15 - 10 PM Children's Gymnastics 8:30 - 9:30 PM Adult Yoga	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	President's Day NO ACTIVITIES - Schools are closed				7 - 8 PM Czech/ Slovak School 7:15 - 8 PM Czech/Slovak Preschool 8:15 - 10 PM Children's Gymnastics 8:30 - 9:30 PM Adult Zumba	
26	27	28	29			
	8 - 10 PM Volleyball @ Woodacres ES					

EVENT DETAILS

What	When	Details
Volleyball	Mondays, February 6, and 27 8:00 – 10:00 PM	<p>At Wood Acres Elementary School 5800 Cromwell Dr., Bethesda, MD 20816</p> <p>Please remember to bring appropriate clothing and shoes (rubber sole sturdy shoes) for your children so that they may safely participate in gymnastics.</p>
Czech and Slovak School	Fridays, February 3, 10, 17, and 24 7:00 – 8:00 PM	
Czech and Slovak Preschool	Fridays, February 3, 10, 17, and 24 7:15 – 8:00 PM	
Adult Czech and Slovak Language Classes	Fridays, February 3, 10, 17, and 24 8:00 – 9:00 PM	
Children's Gymnastics	Fridays, February 3, 10, 17, and 24 8:15 – 10:00 PM	
Gymnastics for the Little Ones*	Fridays, February 3, 10, 17, and 24 8:00 – 8:30 PM Warm up* 8:30 – 9:30 PM Main Activity	
Adult Yoga/ Zumba	Fridays, February 3, 10, 17, and 24 8:30 – 9:30 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 runs from approximately 8:30 to 9:30 pm. There is a Warm up form 8:00 to 8:30 pm in which all the parents may participate with their children if they want.</p>		
Sibrinky/Fasiangy 	Saturday, February 4, 2012 at 7:30 PM	The annual dinner and dance at St. Luke's Orthodox Church. Great food, live music, cash prizes, costume contest. More information will be posted on our website momentarily, visit www.sokolwashington.org and click on Events.
34th Annual Baca Cup International Invitational Ski Race 	Saturday, February 18, 2012 at 11:00 AM	This annual downhill ski race and party for everyone, will take place at the Blue Knob Ski Resort (near to New Bedford) located in Claysburg, PA. Race details and lodging info are available at www.bacacup.com To register go to http://www.bacacup.com/index.htm For additional information and directions to the Blue Knob Ski resort, please contact the resort directly at (800) 458-3403 or (814) 239-5111.
Josefska Party	Saturday, March 24, 2012	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
Volleyball Tournament 	Saturday, March 24, 2012 at 9:00 AM	The tournament will take place at the Luther Jackson Middle School, 3020 Gallows Road, Falls Church, VA 22042 http://www.fcps.edu/LutherJacksonMS/map.html Please note that as a new tournament rule; at least 3 players in each team must be Sokol members! For more information contact Br. Pavel Tojisl at ptojsl@iie.org .

**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)

...to join us at Salaš Hills (Blue Knob Ski Resort) to compete and enjoy yourself at the 34th Annual Bača Cup. Also, mark your calendars for our March events – the annual volleyball tournament will be held on March 24, here in Fairfax, and, the day of volleyball will culminate with the traditional Josefska party at VFW in McLean.

Please note that the 2012 Membership Dues should be sent in by March. Your dues help keep our Unit operating and help us offer all the wonderful programs you have been enjoying.

This month's membership meeting is in a few days – please join me and the other ASW officers and directors on Wednesday, February 1, at 8:00 pm, at the Bethesda Regional Library. We want to hear your ideas and suggestions, and, of course, we would love to have you volunteer to help at one of our many activities. If you wish to contact me, please call me at 703-615-3465 or write me at maruska@levendislaw.com.

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ASW MEMBERSHIP DUES

Please DO NOT FORGET that the **DEADLINE** to submit ASW membership dues is **March 31, 2012**.

American Sokol Washington, DC membership dues 2012 are 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

Please make your check payable to "American Sokol Washington, DC", and mail it at your earliest convenience to the Financial Secretary:

American Sokol Washington, Inc.
c/o Br. Tibor Bartalos
1101 3rd Street, SW, Apt. 704
Washington, DC, 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 CFCNCA designation code is 93300.

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

INCLEMENT WEATHER REMINDER

Our Monday and Friday night activities take place at a Montgomery County Public school – Wood Acres Elementary, and therefore our activities are guided by the calendar and the closings of this school system. Please note, our activities will be cancelled if Montgomery County closes its schools. For information, consult the school website (<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/woodacreses/>).

OF INTEREST

Memorial Service - the Ambassador of the Czech Republic, H.E. Petr Gandalovič, invites you to a special memorial service remembering and honoring former President of the Czech Republic Václav Havel, celebrated by The Most Reverend Jan Vokál, Bishop of Hradec Králové, on Sunday, February 12, 2012 at 10 am. Location: Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Crypt Church (lower level), 400 Michigan Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20017

Light in the Darkness – March 8 – 25 at the Synetic Theater. For more information, see the following web page: <http://synetictheater.org/mainstage/lightdark.html>

Check out These Links:

- Slovak Handwritten Cookbook Blog: <http://paulinescookbook.wordpress.com/>
- The National Czech and Slovak Museum and Library new oral history program: <http://www.ncsml.org/News/20091123/30/New-Oral-History-Project-Underway.aspx>.
- Enhancing Children's Lives in the Communities Where They Live: www.slovakplaygrounds.org
- The Museum of Czech and Slovak Exiles from the 20th Century: www.muzeumexil.cz
- Traditional Slovak recipes website: www.slovakcooking.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/>

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.