

# ASW ZPRAVODAJ

November 2012

## NEXT MEETING



Wednesday  
November 7, 2012  
8:00 pm  
**Bethesda Regional Library**  
7400 Arlington Rd  
Bethesda, MD 20814  
(240) 777-0970

## DON'T MISS

**SVU Christmas Bazaar**  
Saturday, November 10  
See p. 2 for details

**Illuminating Party (Katerinska zabava)**  
Saturday, November 17  
7:30 pm  
See p. 2 for details

**Mikulasska (St. Nicholas) Party**  
Saturday, December 1  
See p. 3 for details

## MESSAGE FROM STAROSTKA

Dear Sokol Members and Friends:


The 2012-13 Sokol Washington DC has been off to a great start with some wonderful activities and many more to come. We hope that you will take advantage of them all! Please look through the calendar inside this newsletter to find what appeals to you and your family....

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## CALENDAR


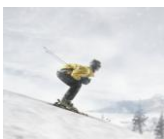
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For details, locations and future events see p. 2

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
					7-8 pm <b>Czech/ Slovak School and Preschool</b> 8-8:15 pm <b>Music &amp; Folklore</b> 8:15-10 pm <b>Youth Gymnastics</b> 8-9 pm <b>Adult Czech/Slovak Language</b> 7:17 – 8 pm <b>Adult Yoga</b>	
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
	8 - 10 pm <b>Volleyball @ Wood Acres ES</b>		8 pm <b>ASW Monthly Meeting @ Bethesda Library</b> (see side banner)		7-8 pm <b>Czech/ Slovak School and Preschool</b> 8-8:15 pm <b>Music &amp; Folklore</b> 8:15-10 pm <b>Youth Gymnastics</b> 8-9 pm <b>Adult Czech/Slovak Language</b>	<i>Non-Sokol Event: 12:00 – 4:00 pm</i> <b>SVU Christmas Bazaar</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
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<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
	8 - 10 pm <b>Volleyball @ Wood Acres ES</b>			<b>Happy Thanksgiving!</b> 	<b>No Activities – Schools Are Closed</b>	
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	
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## EVENT DETAILS

What	When	Details
<b>Volleyball</b>	Mondays, November 5, 12, 19, 26 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>
<b>Czech and Slovak School</b>	Fridays, November 2, 9, 16, 30 7:00 – 8:00 pm	
<b>Czech and Slovak Preschool</b>	Fridays, November 2, 9, 16, 30 7:00 – 8:00 pm	
<b>Adult Czech and Slovak Language Classes</b>	Fridays, November 2, 9, 16, 30 8:00 – 9:00 pm	
<b>Children's Gymnastics</b>	Fridays, November 2, 9, 16, 30 8:15 – 10:00 pm	
<b>Adult Yoga</b>	Fridays, November 2, 16 7:15 – 8:00 pm	
<p><b>*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.</b></p>		
<p><b>illuminating Party (Katerinska zabava)</b></p> 	<p><b>Saturday, November 17, 2012 7:30 pm</b></p> <p>The Veterans of Foreign Wars Club (VFW) McLean, Post No. 82, 1051 Spring Hill Road, McLean, VA 22102</p>	<p>illuminating budget friendly casual dance party gives you a great opportunity to meet new friends and get together with old buddies and rock &amp; roll.</p> <p>Be the Light of this event! Wear and carry costumes, wigs and accessories that Light Up and Glow! Be creative with your UV reactive, LED, and Fiber optic lit costumes, makeup and body paints, masks and accessories...</p> <p>Do not miss a Midnight's Raffle!</p> <p>Volunteers are welcome! Contact us at <a href="mailto:tbartalos@sokolwashington.org">tbartalos@sokolwashington.org</a></p> <p>For more information, go to Facebook <a href="http://www.facebook.com/events/112397285585925/">http://www.facebook.com/events/112397285585925/</a></p>
<p><i>non-Sokol event:</i> <b>SVU Christmas Bazaar</b></p> 	<p><b>Saturday, November 10, 2012 12:00 – 4:00 pm</b></p> <p>The River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6301 River Rd., Bethesda, MD 20817</p>	<p>The Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences, Washington, DC Chapter with the Embassies of the Czech and Slovak Republics invite you to the Annual Christmas Bazaar. Enjoy a lunch of typical Czechoslovak dishes, and pastries. Shop for holiday gifts. Auction at 1:30 pm.</p>

What	When	Details
<p><b>St. Nicholas Feast</b> (Mikulasska nadilka)</p> 	<p><b>Saturday, December 1, 2012</b> <b>3:00 – 6:00 p.m.</b></p> <p>The Hall of St. Luke Orthodox Church, 6801 Georgetown Pike, McLean, VA (www.stlukemclean.org; 703.893.1759)</p>	<p>Party for children and adults allowing you to enjoy great food, meet St. Nick, the angel, the devil, and giving you and your children ample opportunity to tell if you have been “naughty or nice...”</p> <p>For more information, go to Facebook <a href="http://www.facebook.com/events/171270469679078/">http://www.facebook.com/events/171270469679078/</a></p>
<p><b>Ski Trip to Vermont</b></p> 	<p><b>December 26, 2012 –</b> <b>January 3, 2013</b></p>	<p>A week-long ski trip to Burke Mountain, Vermont. For children with or without parents. (Children under the age of 11 must be accompanied by at least one adult.) For more information or to sign up, contact Sis. Eva Majerova at <a href="mailto:majerovae33@gmail.com">majerovae33@gmail.com</a></p>

**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*)

...Our weekly activities have been back in full swing since mid-September. On Monday nights join us for adult volleyball pick-up games at Wood Acres Elementary School, from 8 to 10 p.m. The Czech and Slovak School for our youth members, as well as for adults, and youth gymnastics have resumed at Wood Acres Elementary School on Fridays from 7 to 8 p.m., 8 to 9 p.m., and 8 to 10 p.m., respectively. And, every other Friday, from 7:15 until 8 p.m. at Wood Acres Elementary School, we offer yoga for adults.

In the coming months we are delighted to bring you yet again two of our traditional early winter celebrations – Illuminating Party (Kateřinská zábava) -the date of this event has been changed to November 17 - and Mikulášska/ St. Nicholas Feast, which will be held on December 1. We hope you will join us for traditional goulash, Czech beer, and good music and dancing at Kateřinská and at Mikulášská, for traditional zabíjačka (sausages), Czech beer, and, of course, a surprise visitor (with gifts!) for all the children.

Our next Membership Meeting will be on Wednesday, November 7, at 8 p.m., at the Bethesda Regional Library. Please join us - all are welcome, member or not! I also hope that you will offer your time and talents - we can always find a place for you in some aspect of Sokol life! If you have questions or suggestions, please call me at 703-615-3465 or write me at [maruska@levendislaw.com](mailto:maruska@levendislaw.com)

Here's to a wonderful Sokol year!

Nazdar,

Lucia

Lucia Maruska Levendis  
Starostka American Sokol Washington, DC

## “THANK YOU”

We are very grateful to our many volunteers who continue to prepare and manage our activities. This month a special thank you goes to:

**Pavel Klein** and **Eva Majerova** for the Memorial Weekend Canoe and Camping Trip

**Tibor Bartalos** for the June Canoe Trip

**Miroslav Honzak, Helena Kanownik, Zuzana Steen and Milos Toth** for this year's Children's Summer Camp

**Pavla Toth** for arranging, year after year, the rental of Wood Acres Elementary School

**Michal Jarnik, Alena Jarnik, Lenka Goldmanova and Rados Goldman** for Libor Kozák Memorial Bicycling Event

**Vlado Kovac and Milos Toth** for Membership Picnic

**Pavel Klein, Michal Jarnik and Alena Jarnik** for Pediatric / Geriatric Marathon

## ASW MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR YEAR 2012

Please DO NOT FORGET that the **DEADLINE** to submit ASW membership dues was **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 Secy. 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!*

## OF INTEREST

### 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.slovakiaplaygrounds.org](http://www.slovakiaplaygrounds.org)
- The Museum of Czech and Slovak Exiles from the 20th Century: [www.muzeumexil.cz](http://www.muzeumexil.cz)
- Traditional Slovak recipes website: [www.slovakcooking.com](http://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](mailto: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.