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Monthly Membership Meeting - October 1, 2014

The October's monthly membership meeting will be held at the Bethesda Regional Library.

All remaining meetings this year will take place on the 1st Wednesday of the month as well. The upcoming dates for 2014 are: 11/5/14 and 12/3/14.

All are welcome, member or not!

When

Wednesday, October 1, 2014 8 PM

Where

Bethesda Regional Library 5501 Massachusetts Ave. Bethesda, MD 20816

Contact

Bro. Milos Toth at mtoth.tns@gmail.com

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In 2007, our Unit held the first of what has become an annual bike ride held in memory of one of our members, Brother Libor Kozák, who tragically lost his life while descending Mt. Everest. Libor was a great sports enthusiast; thus this event fittingly honors his memory.

The bike ride usually takes place in early October and leads through the beautiful landscapes of Northern Virginia or southern Maryland. Routes vary in length to accommodate bikers of all ages and abilities. And, there always is a good, hearty dinner waiting at the end of the ride. We hope you can join us!

For event T-Shirt and post-ride festivities you need to register by September 13th at mjarnik@gmail.com. Rain date is October 26th, 2014.

When

Saturday, October 4, 2014 (rain-day Sunday 10/26)

Where

Northern Virginia or Southern Maryland

Facebook Event

https://www.facebook.com/events/535494656552833/

Contact

Bro. Michal Jarnik at mjarnik@gmail.com
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Children's Theater - October 11, 2014



Embassy of the Czech Republic Washington, DC



The Embassy of the Czech Republic invites children and their families to the exciting theatrical show *Ententýky,* based on Czech poems, songs, and fairy tales, performed by actors from Theater Viola in Prague and directed by Pavel Jurkovič, on **October 11, 2014, at 4 pm**, at the Embassy of the Czech

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For the last seven years, actors Radka Tesárková, Josef Hervert and Martin Rudovský from Theater Viola in Prague have been performing *Ententýky*. Besides Washington, DC, the group will also perform in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, and Chicago as part of their US Tour. Previously, the European leg of their tour included performances in Brussels, Luxemburg, Geneva, and Berlin as part of the project "Czech Schools without Borders" created for Czech children and their parents living abroad. *Please note: The shows will be in Czech only.*

Light refreshments will be provided.

When

Saturday, October 11, 2014, at 4 pm

Where

Embassy of the Czech Republic 3900 Spring of Freedom Street, NW, Washington, DC 2000

Contact

RSVP

www.eventbrite.com/e/childrens-theater-ententyky-and-endele-vendele-tickets-13350705319

Event Link

http://www.mzv.cz/washington/en/culture_events/culture/children_s_theatre_ententyky_and_endele.html

Sokol Membership Appreciation Picnic - October 12, 2014



The Annual Sokol Membership Appreciation Picnic will be held at Fletcher's Boathouse, just minutes from downtown Washington, DC., for all Sokol family members, free of charge.

Guests are welcome, with voluntary donations to Sokol Washington also being

welcome.

Expect to enjoy volleyball, mini-soccer, great food, kids activities, leisurely boat or canoe ride, bike ride along the C & O canal, and, of course, charming company.

When

Sunday, October 12, 2014 - 11:00 am

Where

Fletcher's Boat House http://www.fletcherscove.com, 4940 Canal Road, N.W., Washington, DC 20007

Facebook Event

https://www.facebook.com/events/303246573204603/

Contact

Volunteers, always being welcome, should offer their services to Bro. Vladimir Kovac at tysesty@gmail.com

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Embassy of the Czech Republic in Washington, D. C.

On October 18, at 5 pm, the Embassy of the Czech Republic will screen director Pavel Jandourek's film MAHARAL – SECRET OF TALISMAN (Maharal - Tajemství talismanu).

About the Film: The film follows three kids from Prague (Alena, David and Ondra) and charismatic treasure hunter Aaron Cohen who venture to the most mysterious places of old Prague, including the ruins of an old water castle and the domains of wondrous entities from days gone by, in search of a mysterious talisman, the fabled Golem, and the legendary Philosopher's Stone. The Maharal, also known as Rabbi Loew, is a Jewish scholar from Prague who is at the center of the legend of the Golem of Prague. The Golem was a mystical creature made from clay that protected the Jews of the Prague ghetto from anti-Semitic attacks. Venture into the world of mysticism and wonder through this adventurous film. (DIR: Pavel Jandourek, 2007, 100 min., Czech with English subtitles)

Trailer: http://filmcenter.cz/en/film/detail/870-maharal

For more information about the film, please visit www.maharal.cz (in Czech only)

Admission is free.

Please note: Programs at the Embassy of the Czech Republic are open to the public. Admittance is on a first-come, first-seated basis, beginning 30 minutes before each cultural event. Please note that guests arriving late will only be allowed entry during a break or intermission in the program.

When

Saturday, October 18, 2014 - 05:00 pm

Where

Embassy of the Czech Republic 3900 Spring of Freedom Street, NW, Washington, DC 2000

Event Link

http://www.mzv.cz/washington/en/culture_events/culture/film_maharal_secret_of_the_talisman.html

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Annual Potomac Walking Marathon - October 25, 2014

13th Annual Potomac walking marathon for children young and old. 42 km and 195 m light pace walk along C&O canal's tree alleys and the Potomac river of Violetts Locke, Harper's ferry direction and back.

You will also enjoy the rustle of fallen golden colored leaves, warming sun rays and conversing with friends; while slow pace walking; at just about any topic.

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Where

Along C&O Canal

Contact

Bro. Pavel Klein at KleinP@epilepsydc.com (301) 704-4925 (cell) or (301) 424-1658

Event Link

http://www.sokolwashington.org/activities/outdoor-activities/pediatricgeriatric-marathon/

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Family Ski Trip - Vermont 12/27/14 - 01/03/15



Traditional annual week-long ski trip to Burke Mountain, Vermont, will take place this year from December 27, 2014 to January 3, 2015. We will travel to the familiar Burke Mountain in order to improve kids' ski skill, enjoy the community and celebrate the New Year.

As every year, kids older than 6 years will participate in structured skiing instruction with professional Czech or Slovak ski instructors twice a day. To sap the remaining energy, kids will have organized indoor games in the evenings. Children under six years are welcome; however, they need to be supervised by their parents, as we do not offer specific activities for this age group.

While the children are busy with ski instructions, the parents are free to take advantage of skiing or other outdoor activities, or to relax and enjoy the company of other adults.

We rent several adjoining town houses and the capacity is limited, so we ask interested parties to contact Ondrej Schneider (schneider.condrej@gmail.com) as soon as possible, but no later than **September 20**. If your child is a beginner and will require individual instructions, please contact us as well. We will finalize the list of participants during September, when a deposit will be due.

When

December 27, 2014 to January 3, 2015

Where

Burke, VT

Contact

Bro. Onderj Schneider at schneider.ondrej@gmail.com

Event Link

http://www.sokolwashington.org/activities/outdoor-activities/family-ski-trip/

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Sokol School/Preschool



Dear Parents and Friends of the Czech and Slovak School,

we continue to accept registrations for children (ages 5 & up) and adults for Czech and Slovak classes, Czech & Slovak Preschool (ages 2 to 5), and children's gymnastics,

for 2014/2015.

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Slovak Preschool: Silvia Drisko

Slovak Younger Children: Veronika Tothova Slovak Older Children: Katarina Petkovic

Czech Preschool: Radka Herndon Czech School: Karolina Wilson

Czech Younger Native Speakers: Andrea Kletetschka

Czech Older Native Speakers: Petra Rehakova

http://www.sokolwashington.org/about-us/join-us/

When

Friday's School 2014 upcoming dates are: 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 11/7, 11/14, 11/21, 12/5, 12/12

Where

Wood Acres Elementary School, 5800 Cromwell Dr., Bethesda, MD 20816

Contact

Michaela Kiss at mishah@hotmail.com

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October Orienteering for the whole family



Fall is the best season in the Mid-Atlantic region to enjoy the outdoors. Bring your kids or challenge yourself on orienteering courses in Meadwood park in Virginia on **October 19th** and Patuxent River Park in Maryland on **October 26th**.

Events are organized by the local orienteering clubs and offer great fun for the whole family. This is a great skill for kids to master. Feel free to check the website of the organizer and even try it on your own. http://qoc.us.orienteering.org

All are welcome and for those interested, please contact brother Miroslav Honzak at mhonzak@yahoo.com.

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Sokol Washington, D.C. Facebook



Sokol Washington, D.C. offers additional way for the members to communicate and stay informed about additional events we may not include in our monthly newsletters. Bro. **Tibor Bartalos** has been exceptional at leading this effort.

Please bookmark and check our unit's Facebook page on regular basis at https://www.facebook.com/pages/Sokol-Washington-DC/191155580916592

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