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[Sokol Washington, D.C. Annual Meeting - September 9, 2015](#)



Dear Sokol members, friends and supporters,

You are cordially invited to our [Annual Membership Meeting](#), which includes elections of 2015 - 2016 Officers. This is your excellent opportunity to participate in shaping the future of our unit!

After a brief administrative session the refreshments will be served.

If you are interested in participating on the Executive Board or would like to offer your time and talents to assist with one or more of our many activities, please write Bro. George Levendis, or Sis. Radka Herndon, or Bro. Igor Labuda with your nomination - we can always find a place for you in some aspect of Sokol Washington, D.C. life!

We hope to see you there - all are welcome, member or not!

Where

[Potomac Library](#) (10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac, MD 20854)

Contact

Bro. George Levendis at glevendis@kozlaw.com, Sis. Radka Herndon at rradunka@gmail.com or Bro. Igor Labuda at islabuda@msn.com

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[Sokol School/Preschool Open House - September 11, 2015](#)



Dear Parents and Friends of the Czech and Slovak School,

Please join us for an **OPEN HOUSE** on **Friday, September 11th**, at **7pm** for kids and 8 pm for adults at the Carderock Springs Elementary School in Bethesda.

We will be accepting registrations for children (ages 6 & up) and adults for Czech and Slovak classes, Czech & Slovak Preschool (ages 3 to 5), and children's gymnastics, for 2015/2016.

School Fees: \$60/1 child, \$80/2 children, \$100/3 children, \$120/4 children per Semester

Sokol Annual Family Membership: \$45 +\$15 Administrative Fee (new members only)

Checks or cash accepted. Checks are payable to "American Sokol Washington, DC".

Schedule: Please note classes and activities will begin on **Friday, Oct. 2nd**.

Czech and Slovak School - Youth	Fridays	7:00 – 8:00 pm
Czech and Slovak Preschool	Fridays	7:00 – 8:00 pm
Music and Folklore - Youth		TBD
Adult Czech and Slovak Classes	Fridays	8:00 – 9:00 pm
Youth Gymnastics	Fridays	8:15 – 10:00 pm
Adult Yoga		TBD

Highlights:

Students will sing at the St. Nicholas Party in December

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

When

September 11, 2015 - 7 PM

Where

[Carderock Springs Elementary School](#),
[7401 Persimmon Tree Ln](#),
[Bethesda, MD 20817](#)

Contact

Michaela Kiss at mishah@hotmail.com

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Saturday Evening Banquet (9/19) - Br. Rokos

It has been booked at [The Lord Baltimore Hotel](#). A lovely reception and full course dinner including all beverages is planned. The cost is \$125 per person. The reception will start at 6:30 for a pre-dinner gathering. Attire will be business casual or as dressy as you would like. There will be 10 children harpist performing during dinner and a band.

Saturday Morning/Afternoon Activities - Br. Jaros, Sis. Tracy

Meet at [Sokol Hall](#) by 11:00 am to walk to Patterson Park where the Sokolettes will perform. We are planning to be back to the hall about 12:00 Noon. A small lunch/refreshments will be available including water and juice. Voluntary donations will be accepted.

At approx. 1:00 Br. Jaros will lead a core-fitness activity. Volunteers should come dressed to do a short workout by wearing their 150th Anniversary Polo/T-shirts.

The rest of the afternoon is open for people to enjoy the Baltimore Inner Harbor area.

Sunday Morning (9/20) - Breakfast

Sunday Morning Eastern District Annual Meeting - Sis. Wynnyczuk

Have breakfast before the meeting which is at 9:30.

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[Kozak Memorial Bike Event - October 3, 2015](#)



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 14th at mjarnik@gmail.com. Rain date is October 25th, 2015.

When

Saturday, October 3, 2015 (rain-day Sunday 10/25)

Where

Northern Virginia or Southern Maryland

[Sokol Membership Appreciation Picnic - October 18, 2015](#)



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 18, 2015 - 11:00 am

Where

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

Contact

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

[Annual Potomac Walking Marathon - October 31, 2015](#)



14th 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.

When

Saturday, October 31, 2015

Where

Along C&O Canal

Contact

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

[Event Link](#)

[Family Ski Trip - Vermont 12/26/15 - 01/02/16](#)

Traditional annual week-long ski trip to Burke Mountain, Vermont, will take place this year from December 26, 2015 to January 2, 2016. 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.ondrej@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 26, 2015 to January 2, 2016

Where

Burke, VT

Contact

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

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[Volleyball Mondays and Tuesdays](#)



We encourage new volleyball players to check out our competitive volleyball Monday group. Due to the group large size and skill level, new players might get limited volleyball play time.

<http://www.sokolwashington.org/activities/sports-activities/volleyball/>

When

Mondays, between 8 pm - 10 pm

September: 9/14, 9/21, 9/28

October: 10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26

November: 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23, 11/30

December: 12/7, 12/14, 12/21

January: 1/4, 1/11, 1/25

February: 2/1, 2/8, 2/22, 2/29

March: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21

Where

[Bannockburn Elementary School,](#)
[6520 Dalroy Lane,](#)
[Bethesda, MD 20817](#)

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When

Tuesdays, between 9 pm - 10:15 pm

September: 9/13, 9/22, 9/29

October: 10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27

November: 11/3, 11/10

Where

[Jackson MS](#)

[3020 Gallows Road](#)

[Falls Church, VA 22042](#)

Contact

Bro. Miloš Toth at starosta@sokolwashington.org or Pavel Tojzl at ptojsl@jie.org

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[Orienteering for Kids](#)



New Orienteering season starts September 5th! Come and enjoy this family friendly sport. 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.

September 5 - Accoting Lake Park, VA

September 13 - Fountainhead Regional Park, VA

September 27 - Patuxent River Park, MD

Feel free to check the website of the organizer and even try it on your own. Please, also check website for changes due to the weather.

<http://qoc.us.orienteering.org>

All are welcome and for those interested, please contact brother Miroslav Honzák at sports@sokolwashington.org or Radka Herndon at Rradunka@aol.com

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[42nd Annual Slavic America Festival - September 13, 2015](#)



Free Admission

Free Shuttle Parking from 3301 Woodburn Rd.

No Pets Please.

All proceeds benefit the Building Fund.

<http://www.slavicamericanfestival.com/>

When

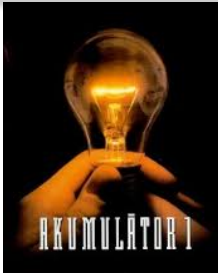
Sunday, September 13, 2015 - noon to 6:00 PM

Where

[Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church](#)
[3410 Woodburn Road, Annandale, VA](#)

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[Film & Beer Series - Bistro Bohem](#)



for the Oscar-winning film *Kolya*. All of the films will screen in Czech with English subtitles.

Each screening includes one free beer as well as an introduction by a representative from the Czech Embassy. All screenings are subject to change. The screenings take place the third Tuesday of every month.

For more information about the event see the [Embassy Cultural Events Page](#).

When

Sept. 15, 7 pm Accumulator 1 | Akumulátor 1

Oct. 20, 7 pm Ruffiano and Sweeteeth | Lotrando a Zubejda

Nov. 17, 7 pm Jára Cimrman Lying, Sleeping | Jára Cimrman ležící, spící

Dec. 15, 7 pm The Three Veterans | Tři veteráni

Where

[Bistro Bohem Website](#)

[600 Florida Avenue, NW,](#)

[Washington, DC 20001](#)

Contact for Reservations

bistrobohem@gmail.com

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[Slovak Festival - September 27, 2015](#)



Since 1971, the Foundation has presented Heritage Festivals at the PNC Bank Arts Center in Holmdel. The exciting series of festivals portray the many different ethnic communities and their Old World traditions. The PNC Bank Arts Center is transformed into an atmosphere full of entertainment, delicious food, and hand-crafted items, which create a celebration in sound, color and movement. The grassy mall becomes a playing field for traditional games. Come join the fun and celebrate your heritage, or get caught up in the excitement of something new. The festivals are an escape into an exciting day-long celebration for the entire family.

If you would like additional information you may call us Monday through Friday 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. at (732) 442-9200.

When

Sunday, September 27, 2015 - 9 AM

Where

[The PNC Bank Arts Center](#)

[Exit 116, of the Garden State Parkway](#)

[Holmdel, New Jersey](#)

<http://gsafoundation.org/heritage.html>

For other festivals see this link: <http://www.cgsi.org/category/event-type/view-more-events>

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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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Thank you notes



We would not be able to flourish as an organization without the constant help of our many volunteers. We can't thank enough each and every member of our community.

Here are some most recent events and list of people who made them possible.

Thank you one more time.

Youth Summer Camp

The director of men **Bro. Miroslav Honzák** would like to extend thank you to all participants of this year's Youth Summer Camp at Modrá skála – Blue Rock, Monongahela National Forest. During a week-long camp which took place at the end of August, children and their parents pursued outdoor recreation and structured activities.

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If you have any suggestion or would like to add users to thank you notes, do not hesitate to contact us at sokol@sokolwashington.org.

We look forward to seeing you at one of our events

Sokol Washington DC

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