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Monthly Membership Meeting - March 2, 2016



This month's membership meeting will be held at the Bethesda Regional Library.

Please mark your calendar for the upcoming dates:

4/6/2016 8:00pm-10:00pm @ [Bethesda Regional Library](#)
 5/4/2016 8:00pm-10:00pm @ [Potomac Community Library](#)
 6/1/2015 8:00pm-10:00pm @ [Bethesda Regional Library](#)

All are welcome, member or not!

When

Wednesday, March 2, 2016 - 8 PM

[7400 Arlington Rd.,
Bethesda, MD, 20814](#)

Contact

Bro. Milos Toth at starosta@sokolwashington.org

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Sokol School - March 4, 2016



The Czech & Slovak School/Preschool 1st semester fees and registration forms are due ASAP.

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

Please make your check payable to "ASW, DC School Fund", and mail it to:

American Sokol Washington, Inc.

Michaela Kiss

4439 Ellicott Street NW

Washington, DC 20016

We accept registrations for children (ages 6 & up) and adults for Czech and Slovak classes, Czech & Slovak Preschool (ages 2 to 5), and children's gymnastics, for 2016.

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

Schedule:

Czech and Slovak School - Youth	7:00 - 8:00 pm
Czech and Slovak Preschool	7:00 - 8:00 pm
Youth Gymnastics	8:15 - 10:00 pm
Adult Slovak Classes (<i>in "Band Room"</i>)	7:00 - 8:00 pm
Yoga for adults	7:00 - 8:00 pm
Folklore starting mid-October	

Here is the Czech & Slovak School Library link. Let me know if you wish to borrow any books.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18Xvs2_N-JLnZ1g_Euo8RyggAeOWKJ_aG9eAogOEvN4c/edit#gid=0

Reminders

PARENTS:

- children must be supervised at all times!
- no running in the hallways
- no eating anywhere, except the All Purpose Room
- no sitting or standing in the hallways; you can do so in APR
- only use bathrooms in the hallway; don't use bathrooms in classrooms
- **at least one parent (or designated parent who has agreed to play the parental role) should stay for the duration of gymnastics as this is a parent participatory program, and given the large size of the class we require BOTH parental "activity assistance" to run a good program and parental availability on the sidelines for good behavior.**

- after each class, you are responsible to WALK children back to All Purpose Room. No unsupervised children in the hallways.
- please do not let children out of classroom before 8pm; the only exception is bathroom use.

Preschool - parents must pick their child/children up at the classroom at 8pm and walk them to APR, gym or leave.

When

March: 4, 18

April: 8, 15, 22, 29

May: 6, 13, 20, 27

June: 3, 10, 17 (End-of-Year Party)

Where

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

Contact

Michaela Kiss at school@sokolwashington.org

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[Šibrinky/Fašiangy/Masquerade Ball - March 5, 2016](#)



You are cordially invited to "**Masquerade Ball inspired by famous film characters**", an evening of fun, live music and dancing with orchestra [PRAŽEVICA](#) (high energy dance music drawing on the tradition of Eastern European Czardas and Gypsy Swing, widely influenced by jazz and blues).

Bonus will be given to costumes inspired by Czech and Slovak movies.

ADULTS ONLY

REFRESHMENT will be available for sale (CASH ONLY).

For additional information, please visit [Sokol's Web](#) or [Facebook](#).

When

Saturday, March 5, 2016 (7:00 - 11:00 PM)

Where

[Embassy of the Czech Republic](#)
[3900 Spring of Freedom Street, N.W.](#),
[Washington, D.C. 20008](#)

RSVP

[sibrinky.eventbrite.com](#) by February 25, 2016;

Contact

Radka Herndon at events@sokolwashington.org

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[Commemorating the life of Tomáš G. Masaryk, founding father of Czechoslovakia - March 7, 2016](#)



On Monday, March 7, 2016, at 11 am, the Embassy of the Czech Republic, in collaboration with American Friends of the Czech Republic (AFoCR), invites you to a wreath laying ceremony commemorating the 166th anniversary of the birth of the first President of Czechoslovakia - Tomáš G. Masaryk.

The event will include remarks by Ambassador of the Czech Republic to the United States, Petr Gandalovič.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tgm-wreath-laying-ceremony-tickets-21558854113>

When

Monday, March 7, 2016 from 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM (EST)

Where

[Massachusetts Avenue at 22nd Street, NW](#),
[Washington, DC](#)

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["The Difficult Afterlife of a Father of His Country" - March 7, 2016](#)

On Monday, March 7, 2016, at 3 pm, Professor Hugh Agnew will present the lecture The Difficult Afterlife of a Father of His Country. In this talk, Professor Agnew will review some of the vicissitudes that Tomáš G. Masaryk's reputation suffered during the years since his death, and reflect on his meaning for



Professor Agnew earned an Honors B.A. in history from Queen's University, and his M.A. and Ph.D. from Stanford. He came to George Washington University in 1988, after teaching at Queen's and the National University of Singapore. Agnew teaches graduate and undergraduate courses on Eastern Europe and the European history survey. He focuses on nationalism in the region, especially Czech nationalism.

Professor Agnew has served as Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs at the Elliott School of International Affairs.

Among his publications are *The Czechs and the Lands of the Bohemian Crown* (2004, translated into Czech 2008), *Origins of the Czech National Renaissance* (1993), and numerous articles and chapters on aspects of Czech nationalism and national identity. He has appeared on international and local media including CNN, C-SPAN, Voice of America's Czech service, and Radio Prague.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tgm-lecture-whugh-agnew-tickets-22052038240>

When

Monday, March 7, 2016 from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM (EST)

Where

[Embassy of the Czech Republic](#)
[3900 Spring of Freedom Street, NW](#)
[Washington, DC 20008](#)

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[Children's Costume Party "Poems & Masks" - March 19, 2016](#)



The Embassy of the Czech Republic, Embassy of the Slovak Republic, American Sokol, Washington, DC, and Slavic American Sokol present a Children's Costume Party (Řikanky a masky / Riekanky a masky) on Saturday, March 19, 2016, at 3 pm.

Children are invited to dress in their most creative costumes or mask of their choice and come ready to recite a poem (in Czech or Slovak) for an afternoon of song, dance, and culture! Children will also be able to act in the improvised theatre presentation *How Charles the IV Became a King*.

Prizes will be awarded for:

Every poem recited or song sung in Czech or Slovak
 Best mask or costume
 Best dancer

Light refreshments will be served. | Admission is free.

R.S.V.P. by March 17

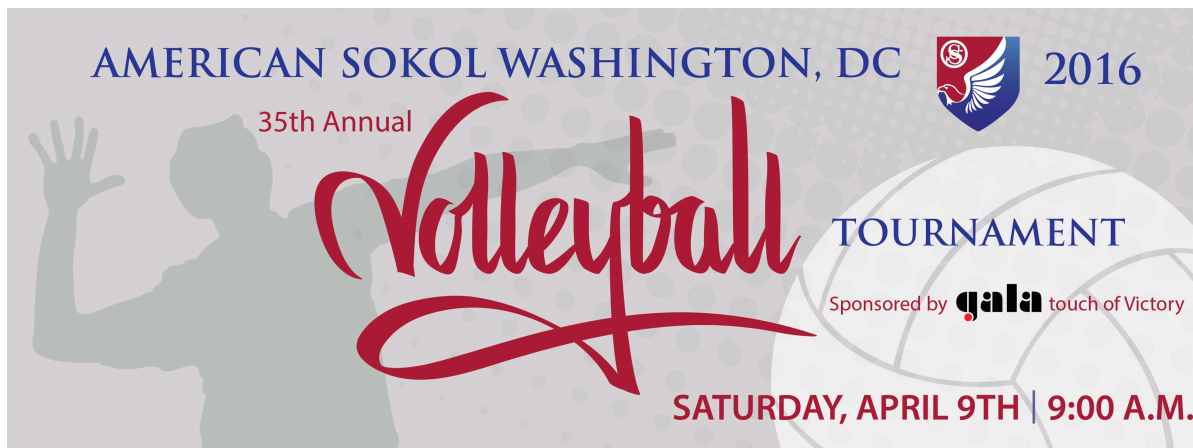
When

Saturday, March 19, 2016 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM (EDT)

Where

[Embassy of the Czech Republic](#)
[3900 Spring of Freedom Street, NW](#)
[Washington, DC 20008](#)

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[2016 Volleyball Tournament - April 9, 2016](#)

Dear Sokol Members and Friends,

please join us for a day filled with fun volleyball and friendship at the tournament organized and hosted by Sokol Washington, DC on April 9, 2016. This tournament brings competitive teams from New York, Cleveland and other Sokol organizations.

SCHEDULE

9:00 – 9:30 am Registration and Opening

See your captain or bulletin board for detailed schedule. We play on 2 courts.

12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch

Free lunch served for all players and out-of-town guests.

3:00 pm End of the tournament (Estimated)

Prize Award Ceremony will be at the Josefska Party the same day.

For additional information, please visit: <http://www.sokolwashington.org/volleyballtournament/> or <https://www.facebook.com/events/945754318833450/>

When

Saturday, April 9, 2016 - 9 AM

Where

[Luther Jackson Middle School,](#)
[3020 Gallows Road,](#)
[Falls Church, VA 22042](#)

Contact

Registration Fee: \$60 per team or \$10 for sokol members or out of town sokol players.

Registration Deadline: **March 15, 2016**

For additional details and to register please contact: Peter Knapp at **443.863.8222** or

knotko@gmail.com

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[Spring Fling \(Josefska dance party\) - April 9, 2016](#)



As spring approaches, celebrate the season with a Spring Fling (Jozefska Dance Party). Gather up your friends, throw on your favorite spring dress and party it up spring fling style.

Spring Fling dance party gives everyone a great opportunity to meet new friends and get together with old buddies and shake off the winter blues.

Shake your body down to the ground, and enjoy rhythm of 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's, 2000's!

Get rid of the winter chills and get ready for a mysterious Spring Fling!

Do not miss Raffle and Sokol Volleyball Tournament 2016 Awards Ceremony!

More information at: <http://www.sokolwashington.org/activities/social-events/jozefska-zabava/>

When

Saturday, April 9, 2016 - 7:30 PM

Where

[Carderock Springs Swim & Tennis Club](#)

[8200 Hamilton Spring Ct,](#)

[Bethesda, MD 20817](#)

<http://www.carderockclub.org/>

Contact

Tibor Bartalos at tbartalos@sokolwashington.org

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[Scholarship Application Deadline - May 15, 2016](#)



Scholarship Application Deadline is May 15, 2016. Please visit <http://www.sokolwashington.org/school/scholarship-2/> for more information.

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Youth Summer Camp at Modrá skála – Blue Rock, Monongahela National Forest for families with young children is scheduled for August 20 - 27, 2016.

This camp gives children an opportunity to socialize with Moravian, Czech and Slovak peers at camp fires, with songs and story-telling time, and with themes that would foster their Czech and Slovak language skills and appreciation of their heritage.

All participants can expect to be exposed to a variety of outdoor adventures and sports – climbing, camping, hiking, swimming, and canoeing. Children are expected to speak either Czech or Slovak during the duration of the camp.

Please check out our photo gallery to see how much fun it has been in the few past years
<http://www.sokolwashington.org/photo-gallery/>

We are also looking for capable youth instructors that would be willing to help with organizing the camp's program.

When

Saturday August 20 - 27, 2016 - 7:00 AM

Where

Monongahela National Forest

Contact

For details, contact Miroslav Honzák at mens.director@sokolwashington.org

For additional information visit [Sokol's website](#).

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All your contributions to the American Sokol Washington, D.C., a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, are tax deductible.



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!

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[ASW Membership Dues for Year 2016](#)



Please DO NOT FORGET that the DEADLINE to submit [ASW membership dues](#) is March 31, 2016.

• Individual Membership (adult /voting)	\$40.00
• Two Adults Membership (both voting)	\$75.00
• Family Membership I. (one adult voting / all children up to 18 years and other non-voting adults)	\$50.00
• Family Membership II. (both adults voting / all children up to 18 years)	\$80.00
• New Member One-time Administrative Fee	\$15.00

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

American Sokol Washington, D.C., Inc.

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.

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[Congratulations to 2016 Bača Cup Intl' Ski Race Champions and all participants](#)



- * Men's Alpine: Patryk Tararuj
- * Women's Alpine: Swope Kathryn
- * Men's Ambassador's Cup: Krestan Vladimir
- * Women's Ambassador's Cup: Kocourkova Karolina
- * Men's Snowboard: Sean Carey
- * Women's Snowboard: Paula Bartosiewicz

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[Miss Czech-Slovak US 2016-2017](#)



Become a contestant in the Miss Czech-Slovak US Pageant and submit your application no later than March 31, 2016.

All young women between the ages of 16-26 of Czech, Slovak, Moravian or Silesian decent, who love their heritage and want to promote the Czech and Slovak culture across the US, are welcome!

[30th Miss Czech-Slovak US](#) pageant is held the first weekend is August (6-7, 2016) in Wilber, NE. At-large contestants must be approved by May 1st and all final pageant entries are due by June 1st.

Visit <http://www.missczechslovakus.com> for more information.

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[Volleyball Mondays](#)



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

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

Where

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

Contact

Bro. Miloš Toth at starosta@sokolwashington.org or Vladimir Kovac at tysesty@gmail.com

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Orienteering



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.

March 6 - [Wheaton Regional Park, Wheaton, MD](#)

March 13 - [Lake Needwood, Derwood, MD](#)

Apr 3 - [Manassas National Battlefield Park, Stuart's Hill, Manassas, VA](#)

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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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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Thank You



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

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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

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