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JUNE 2018

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Monthly Meeting - June 6, 2018

Wednesday, June 6. 8:00 PM

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WHERE: <u>Potomac Community Library</u> 10101 Glenolden Dr. Potomac, MD 20854

Join us for our monthly meeting which will be held Wednesday, June 6 at 8:00 pm We hope to see you there - all are welcome, member or not!

End of School Year/ Pitel Family Farewell Party Friday, June 8, 2018



WHERE: <u>Norwood Local Park - Bethesda, MD</u> 4700 Norwood Drive Bethesda, MD 20815

Potluck Sign-UP

Time to celebrate the end of the school year with an evening of games and music at Norwood Local Park. We'll also recognize the contributions of the Pitel family as they head back home to the Czech Republic after four incredible years as an integral part of our Sokol.

Please join us and sign-up for the Potluck dinner.

Potluck Sign-Up

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Annual One Day Canoe Trip Sunday, June 10, 2018



Water enthusiasts of all ages and skills are cordially invited to our annual <u>one-day</u> <u>canoe trip</u> on the gorgeous South Fork of the Shenandoah River.

START: 9:15 AM sharp from the HQ of Downriver Canoe Company (884 Indian Hollow Road Bentonville, VA 22610-2206) www.downriver.com **TRIP #5:** J.R.'S CAMPGROUND (5hrs.) This full day's paddling adventure begins right where the river "gets good"

about 4 miles above Compton Rapid (class I.-II.); TRIP #4: (if water is low);

NOTE:

- The date is a subject to change if the water level is either too high or too low.
- Minimum age: 5 with close parental supervision!
- No glass containers on the river!
- Musical instruments are welcome.
- Plan your beverages and snacks for 7-8 hrs. on the river.
- Do not forget your Sun Protection & Water Shoes (available also at Down River Canoe Co. store), Mini-Coolers, Waterproof Bags, Waterproof Camera Cases and especially your Exceptionally Good Mood.
- Driving from Washington, D.C. may take you 2 hrs. (85 miles). Your cars will stay at Down River Canoe Co. our trip starts and ends there.

RSVP: Br. Tibor Bartalos at <u>tbartalos@sokolwashington.org</u> by June 4, 2018 to reserve your canoe (2 adults per one canoe).

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This camp gives youth an opportunity to socialize with Sokol peers while canoeing in the Czech Republic. All participants are expected to have at least intermediate canoeing skills and be able to hike, camp, and carry their backpacks. They should be able to speak and understand either Czech or Slovak.

CONTACT: Miro Honzak at mens.director@sokolwashington.org

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Family Camping in West Virginia August 23-28, 2018



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

accompanied by their parents or responsible adult. We are gauging the level of interest in this camp so please let us know if you are interested.

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

WHEN: Starting August 23, 2018 (exact dates TBD)

WHERE: Monongahela National Forest

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The Rebirth of Europe

Friday, June 1 & Saturday, June 2, 2018



WHERE:

Embassy of Slovakia in Washington, D.C. 3523 International Ct NW, Washington, DC 20008

The Czechoslovak Society of Arts & Sciences Washington, D.C. (<u>SVU DC</u>) and The Wilsonian Club invite you to attend the <u>Rebirth of Europe Conference</u>

Click on Registration for Conference and Reception.

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Friday, June 1

School Fees for Children: \$80/1 child, \$120/2 children, \$160/3 children, \$200/4 children per Semester; Checks or cash accepted.**SCHOOL CALENDAR:**

June 1 - Last Day of School Sept. 7 - Open House for 2018-2019

Checks are payable to "ASW DC School Fund".

Schedule:

Czech and Slovak School - Youth Fridays 6:45 – 8:00 pm Czech and Slovak Preschool Fridays 6:45 – 8:00 pm Adult Czech and Slovak Classes Fridays 8:00 – 9:00 pm Youth Folklore Rehearsals 8 – 9 pm Youth Gymnastics Fridays 9:00 – 10:00 pm Adult Yoga Fridays 7:00 – 8:00 pm

WHERE:

<u>Carderock Springs Elementary School</u> 7401 Persimmon Tree Ln, Bethesda, MD 20817

CONTACT: Sis. Michaela Kiss at sokolwashington.org

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European Union Open House - A Great Success!!!!



Once again the American Sokol Washington D.C. participated in the annual European Union Embassy Open Houses. Thank you to all of the members who helped support this important cultural event. However, the students of our school stole the show with their performances at both the Czech Republic and Slovakian embassies. Their hard work and practice was on full display as they entertained the crowds. Thank you to the tireless help of all the parents who educated and taught the kids on the significance of the traditional Czech/Slovak dances. More importantly

You can check out all the great images on our Facebook here and here.

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ASW Membership Dues for 2018



Thanks to all of you who have paid your Sokol membership dues. Here is what your membership guarantees you:

- Discounted tickets to Sokol activities
- Insurance coverage at Sokol activities
- Knowing that you enable all the wonderful programs you and your family enjoy.

If interested in becoming a new member or renewing your membership, you can mail a check to the address below or pay online at <u>http://www.sokolwashington.org/</u>.

 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:

1101 3rd Street, SW, Apt. 704 Washington, D.C. 20024

Your dues help keep our Unit operating and help us offer all the wonderful programs you enjoy.

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.

Thank you!

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Orienteering at Jug Bay

Sunday, June 3



Are you looking for something new to do over the weekends? Try orienteering at Jug Bay in Bristol, MD on Saturday, June 3. You can enjoy this outdoor activity by taking a relaxing stroll in the woods or compete with others. All instruction is provided by the orienteering club (www.qocweb.org). Join us to learn how to read a map, enjoy a short or long hike/run in the woods and then have a picnic with your friends or possibly rent a canoe/paddle-board at the park to cool down. See you there!

Upcoming Orienteering Events:

Date	Event	Details
Jun. 3 Sun.	Jug Bay, Caretaker's House Area, Bristol, MD	Mass Start & Party!
Jun. 1(Sun.	Cunningham Falls St. Park, Manor Area	Platformpalooza 2018

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Volleyball Tuesdays

June 5 & 12



WHERE: <u>Wood Acres Elementary School</u> 5800 Cromwell Dr., Bethesda, MD 20816

WHEN: TUESDAYS, between 8 pm - 10 pm June 5, 12

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

CONTACT: Bro. Pavel Tojsl at <u>ptojsl@iie.org</u>

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Would you like to get rid of documents, photos, art, books, collections, merchandise, technical material and articles that are inherently valuable and significant to Sokol movement, its founders, members, culture, philosophy,150 years of history in America and 70 years of history in Washington, D.C. metropolitan area?

Please contact Br. Tibor Bartalos at tbartalos@sokolwashington.org

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Sokol Washington, DC Facebook

Please bookmark and check our unit's Facebook page on regular basis at https://www.facebook.com/SokolWashingtonDC/

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We would not be able to flourish as an organization without the constant help of our many volunteers.

American Sokol Washington, D.C. Chapter, is a 501(c)(3) 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.

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