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JANUARY 2019



FROM THE STAROSTA

I would like to wish you all a healthy and prosperous 2019. We are one year older and perhaps a little bit wiser as we have another successful Sokol year behind. We've had incredible success with regular weekly activities including Czech and Slovak language classes for children and adults folk classes for children (Sokolik) sports activities for children volleyball for adults. In addition, we have had tremendous participation in our annual activities such as Sibrinky Masquerade Ball on Ice Jozefka Party ED volleyball tournament GP tennis tournament summer camp in Czech Sokol member appreciation picnic LKM bicycling day Mikulasska nadelka several hiking trips and other events. All of these activities and events are made possible by our volunteers who step up with all planning and organizing. I am thankful to all our volunteers. I appreciate their help and would like to let them know that I am proud of each one of them. Thanks to our many volunteers our organization is flourishing. I am also grateful for the ongoing financial support and time put in by Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences (SVU), the Czech and Slovak Embassies and the Czech and Slovak governments.

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PAST HAPPENINGS



MIKULASSKA NADILKA 2018

Sokolik performed at the annual St. Nicholas party enjoyed by many from our Sokol as well as guests. Many thanks to everyone who helped with preparations and execution of this great St. Nicholas event. We are also grateful to all bakers who contributed to our fundraiser Bake Sale.

Looking forward to seeing you and your children beginning Friday, January 4 at the Czech/Slovak School.



SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARTY

It's not always about the Czech and Slovak language at our weekly Sokol language school!!!! The kids had a great time making Christmas decorations and cookies at the Annual School Christmas Party. We have a number of special events throughout the school year as we bring as much of our culture to the members and friends of Sokol, Washington D.C. Please join us on Fridays to see for yourself.



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UPCOMING

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Sokol School/Preschool Highlights

ASW Membership Dues for 2019

Sibrinky Annual Fundraiser - Saturday, February 23

Winter Volleyball Season - Thursday, January 10, 17 & 24**ONGOING**

Sokol School/Preschool - January 4, 11, 18 & 25

Orienteering - January 6, 13 & 27

Kids Ski Free in PA - 4th/5th Grade Snow - Pass

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Thank you

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9**

We hope to see you there! All are welcome, member or not.

WHERE: [Little Falls Community Library](#)

5501 Massachusetts Ave • Bethesda, MD 20818

WHEN: Wednesday, January 9. 8 PM - 10 PM**reminder****ASW MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2019****JANUARY 31****DO NOT FORGET!** The DEADLINE to submit [ASW membership dues](#) is January 31, 2019.

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

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*American Sokol Washington, D.C.**c/o Br. Tibor Bartalos**1101 3rd Street, SW, Apt. 704, Washington, DC, 20024*

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

FEBRUARY 23

Commemorating 30 Years of Czech and Slovak Freedom and Democracy

American Sokol Washington, D.C. and the Embassy of the Czech Republic

Cordially invite you to:



SATURDAY FEBRUARY 23, 2019

5:30 - 11:30 PM | Please arrive on time doors will close at 7:30 pm

AN EVENING FILLED WITH FUN:

- Dancing • Live Music with BALTIMORE SWING DROP • Delicious Full Course Dinner •
- Best Costume Prizes • Silent Auction • Raffle Drawing •

ONLINE TICKET SALES: <https://sibrinky2019.eventbrite.com>

GIFT CERTIFICATES SALE: events@sokolwashington.org

\$70 American Sokol Members; \$80 Non-Members

SPECIAL TICKET SALE is available until January 15

\$60 American Sokol Members; \$70 Non-Members (*cash/check only*) limited number of tickets available, first come first serve, contact events@sokolwashington.org

NO TICKET SALES AT THE DOOR! SEATING IS VERY LIMITED!

WHERE: [Embassy of the Czech Republic](#)
3900 Spirit of Freedom St., Washington DC, 20008

SAVE THE DATE

41st ANNUAL BAČA CUP SKI RACE

"SAVE THE DATE" for the 41st Annual "BACA CUP" International Invitational alpine ski race for all ages and nationalities! Please mark Saturday, February 16, 2019, on your calendar with race time yet to be determined.

The invitation to participate is coming soon. We wish everyone a safe and happy ski season and can't wait to "Ski Ya Soon"!

WHERE: Blue Knob All Season Resort1
424 Overland Pass • Claysburg, Pennsylvania 16625

<https://blueknob.com/latest-conditions-information/>

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FEBRUARY 16



MARCH 23



Masquerade Ball on Ice at the Cabin John Ice Rink on **Saturday, March 23, 2019**

The event will start at **3:00 pm**. You're welcome to come a little earlier, rent your ice-skates and get ready in the heated area. The snack bar will be open.

We will play games on ice to practice your skills and have a parade of goblins, bunnies, princesses and other creatures.

to those **special award**. There will be a **creative costume competition** You can participate in our that best incorporate their safety helmet into the costume.

OR JUST COME TO SKATE!

Please note safety regulations - no mask should obscure vision. Helmet and gloves are highly recommended.

Tickets: \$6 per skater or \$18 per family (good for 2 adults and all children in the same household).

Ice-skates rental: available for \$3.50/pair.

You can purchase tickets: Online via Eventbrite: <https://iceball2019.eventbrite.com> and

During Friday Sokol School nights

Please, make checks payable to Sokol Washington DC and write Ice-Skating in the notes (until March 9, 2018)

NO TICKET SALE AT THE DOOR

Due to the Cabin John Ice Rink restrictions, we cannot accept any payment at the door

Dress warmly (hint: ski clothes provide an extra cushion if you fall) and wear a helmet and gloves for your safety!

We're looking forward to seeing you on ice!

WHERE: [Cabin John Ice Rink • 10610 Westlake Drive • Rockville, MD 20852](#)

WINTER VOLLEYBALL SEASON:

THURSDAY'S

Time: 8:30 - 10:15 pm

January | 10 | 17 | 24 | 31

February | 7 | 14 | 21 | 28 |

March | 14

NEW LOCATION!

WHERE: [Woodburn Elementary School](#)

3401 Hemlock Drive

Falls Church, VA 22042



FRIDAYS, JANUARY 4, 11, 18 & 25



The Czech/Slovak school is an excellent opportunity for children of all abilities to learn Czech and

for those looking to learn or advance their Czech/Slovak language skills.

There will be activity, conversation and volunteer opportunities in the multi-purpose room for the adults while we actively wait on the children and their lessons. In addition, following school, there will be Music/Culture/Folklore and athletics/gymnastics.

Children attending school will need to **bring**: a folder, a composition book, a pencil case filled with pencils, pens & crayons.

Please enter through the door facing the parking lot. Please enter after 6:30. School begins at **6:45**. All children will be escorted to the class by their teachers. If you are late, please escort your children to the class. If you are new to the school, there will be plenty of parent volunteers to assist you.

School Fees per Semester:

\$90/1 child, \$140/2 children, \$180/3 children, \$210/4 children per semester.

Checks or cash accepted.

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
Music and Folklore - Youth	Fridays	8:15	–	9:00 pm
Adult Czech and Slovak Classes	Fridays	8:00	–	9:00 pm
Youth Gymnastics	Fridays	8:15/9:00	–	10:00 pm

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

CONTACT: Sis. Michaela Kiss and Sis. Lucie Berankova at school@sokolwashington.org

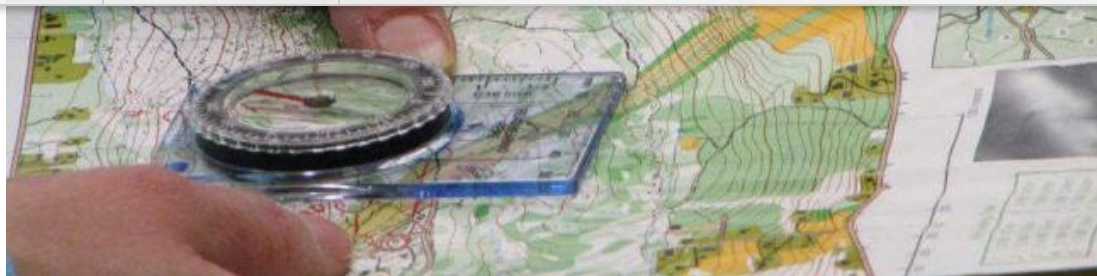
2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR - FRIDAYS

JANUARY 4 • 11 • 18 • 25 | FEBRUARY 1 • 8 • 15 • 22 | MARCH 1 • 8 • 15

APRIL 5 • 12 • 26 | MAY 3 • 10 • 17 • 31 | JUNE 7 (End of School Party)

ORIENTEERING

[Quantico Orienteering Club](#)



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.

Date	Event	Details
Sunday, Jan. 6	Fountainhead Regional Park, Main parking area, Clifton, VA	Classic
Sunday, Jan. 13	Greenbelt National Park, Sweetgum Parking, Greenbelt, MD	Classic
Sunday, Jan. 27	Patapsco Valley State Park, CCBC Catonsville, Catonsville, MD	Classic

Feel free to check the website of the organizer and even try it on your own. Please, also check the 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 Radunka@aol.com

Ski Free in Pa - 4th/5th Grade Snow Pass

How about skiing or boarding for FREE this winter? Well here's your chance! Your Pennsylvania 4th & 5th Grade Snowpass booklet offers you the privilege of skiing and boarding at 20 Pennsylvania Ski Resorts for FREE this winter - Take mom or dad with you for the thrill of a lifetime - an experience you will never forget.

This season we hope that you and your family have an opportunity to enjoy as many of Pennsylvania's ski resorts as possible. Your Snowpass will provide you with over 64 days of FREE skiing and boarding.

This program has just opened and has limited capacity, so please order your passes now: <https://skipa.com/deals/4th5th-grade-program>

American Sokol Library and Archival Museum

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

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Please check our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/SokolWashingtonDC/>

If you have a cultural, folk, educational or sporting/athletic event you would like to share with our members, please

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

Washington, D.C. Chapter, is a 501(c)(3) a non-profit organization and all of its officers are volunteers.



