For the second consecutive year, Polish Roman Catholic Union of America has been selected for the 2010 Best of Chicago Award in the Fraternal Life Insurance Organization category by the U.S. Commerce Association (USCA).

The USCA “Best of Local Business” Award Program recognizes outstanding local businesses and fraternals throughout the country. Each year, the USCA identifies companies that they believe have achieved exceptional marketing success in their local community and business category. These are local companies and fraternals that enhance the positive image of small business through service to their customers, members and the community.

Nationwide, only 1 in 70 (1.4%) of the 2010 award recipients qualified as two-time Award Winners. Various sources of information were gathered and analyzed to choose the winners in each category. The 2010 USCA Award Program focuses on quality, not quantity. Winners are determined based on the information gathered both internally by the USCA and data provided by third parties.

Congratulations go to the PRCUA sales agents (deputies) whose hard work has enabled the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America to qualify to win this award two years in a row.

Candidates for National Offices

The Candidates Qualification Committee of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America is pleased to announce that it has approved the candidacy of the following members for national offices:

**PRESIDENT**

Joseph Anthony Drobot, Jr. of Bloomfield Hills, MI, a member of St. John Society #843. He is a retired executive who received a M.A. degree from University of Detroit Mercy and Michigan State University. He has been a PRCUA member since 1953.

William Edward Nowakowski of Buffalo, NY, a member of Tadeusza Kosciuszki Society #765. He is an attorney who received his J.D. degree from State University of New York at Buffalo Ohio Northern Law School. He has been a PRCUA member since 1989.

**RESIDENT VICE PRESIDENT**

Anna Sokolowski of Downers Grove, IL, a member of John Paul II Society #1605. She is the current PRCUA Resident Vice-President. She received a B.A. degree from University of Illinois - Chicago and has been a member since 1991.

Paul Andrew Pawlowski of Glenwood, IL, a member of Polek Sw. Maryi Magdaleny Society #509 and St. Joseph the Worker Society #1579. He is a business owner/sales associate. He received a B.S. degree from Chicago State University and has been a PRCUA member since 1960.

Robert L. Bielenda of Redford, MI, a member of St. Stan’s Society #718. He is a medical technologist, insurance sales representative and the current PRCUA Vice President. He attended the University of Detroit Mercy and has been a member of the PRCUA since 1952.

John S. Borkowski of Parma, OH, a member of Henryk Sienkiewicz Society #2220. He is a superintendent. He graduated from the Colorado School of Printing and has been a member since 1967.

Steven Michael Cieslicki of Chicago, IL, who is a member of Sacred Heart Society #308. He is an instructor/clerk. He received his B.S. degree from Illinois Institute of Technology. He has been a PRCUA member since 1970.

**SECRETARY-TREASURER**

Kenneth Peter Gill of Lake Zurich, IL, a member of Sw. Antoniego Society #569. He is a teacher/librarian who received his MALS degree from Dominican University - River Forest. He has been a PRCUA member since 1995.

Sharon A. Haberski of Greenfield, WI, a member of St. Christine Society #817. She is a receptionist/consultant. State Wisconsin Med. Tech. She has been a PRCUA member since 1981.

James Joseph Robaczewski of Chicago, IL, who is a member of Knights of St. Michael Society #412, St. Maximilian Kolbe Society #1593 and Polish Clergy Society #15. He is an at-home Dad, who received his B.A. degree from De Paul University. He has been a PRCUA member since 1971.

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### JULY

**8** LANSING, MI - WHITE EAGLE SOC. #2342 NO MEETING

**10** MUSKEGON, MI - PRCUA NATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT on Sat., July 10 at Chase Hammond Golf Club, 2454 Putnam Rd., Muskegon, MI; shotgun start at 8 am and 1 pm. Hotel: Shoreline Inn & Suites, 750 Terrace Point Blvd., Muskegon, MI.

**12** CHICAGO, IL - DISTRICT #7 MEETING on Mon., July 12 at 7:30 pm at PRCUA Social Hall, 984 N. Milwaukee, Chicago, IL. Contact: Shirley Dudzinski (773) 763-4069

**12** BUFFALO, NY - Soc. #765 MEETING on Fri., July 16 at 6:45 p.m. at the Adam Mickiewicz Library and Dramatic Circle, 612 Fillmore Ave, Buffalo, NY.

**16** BUFFALO, NY - DISTRICT 2 meeting on Fri., July 16 at 7 p.m. at the Adam Mickiewicz Library and Dramatic Circle, 612 Fillmore Ave, Buffalo, NY. Convention delegates are urged to attend as trip details will be reviewed.

**18** WYANDOTTE, MI - SOC. #162 MEETING on Sun., July 18 at 1 pm. at PRCU #162 Hall, 1430 Oak Street, Wyandotte, MI. Dues: L. Alexander, 1059 Molno, Wyandotte, MI 48192

**18** TOLEDO, OH - SOC. #1584, #1633, #1617 & #719 MEETING on Sun., Aug. 15 at 1 pm, Misiuda Hall, 5255 N. Detroit, Toledo, OH. Contact: Joan Sylak (419) 729-2126

**18** TOLEDO, OH - SOC. #2206 MEETING on Sun., July 18 at 1 pm at PRCU #162 Hall, 1430 Oak Street, Wyandotte, MI. Dues: L. Alexander, 1059 Molno, Wyandotte, MI 48192

**18** WYANDOTTE, MI - SOC. #2206 MEETING on Sun., July 18 at 4 pm at Circle 8 Clubroom, 2501 Nebraska Avenue, Toledo, OH.

**18** LAKEWOOD, OH - SOC. #2132 MEETING on Sun., July 18 at 1 pm at Transfiguration Church Hall, 12608 Madison Ave., Lakewood, OH. Nominations and election of officers for all positions. For more info contact Peggy Goda.

**19** JOHNSTOWN, PA - ST. CASIMIR’S SOC. #531 MEETING on Tues., July 20 at 7:30 pm, 306 Power St. Send premiums to: L. McClain, 306 Power St., Johnstown, PA 15906

**31** DETROIT, MI - ST. STAN’S SOC. #718 FAMILY PICNIC on Sat., July 31, Noon to 8 pm, at Helms Haven (Hines Park) on Edward Hines Dr. & Outer Dr. The park will be closed to vehicles from Farmington Rd. to Outer Drive. Games, complimentary food (1:30 - 3 pm) & beverages for members & family. Contact Denny and Tina Churchvara (313) 561-7464

### AUGUST

**8** PRCUA 60th CONVENTION OPENING MASS at 10 am at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, 1300 N. Noble St., Chicago, IL followed by luncheon at 12 Noon at Parish Hall Tickets $17.00. Contact: Lucia Seranko (773) 860-3131

**8** PRCUA 60th CONVENTION BANQUET on Sat., July 31, Noon to 8 pm, at Fives Holy Martyrs Parish, 4327 South Richmond St., Chicago, Illinois. Tickets $75/adult; $25/child 12 and under. Contact: Lucia Seranko (773) 860-3131

**10** PRCUA FRATERNAL LUNCHEON on Tues., Aug. 10 after 9:30 Mass at St. Constance, 5843 West Strong St., Chicago, IL at White Eagle, 6839 Milwaukee, Niles, IL - $25.00 per person. Contact: Lucia Seranko (773) 860-3131

**12** LANSING, MI - WHITE EAGLE SOC. #2342 MEETING on Thurs., Aug. 12 at Federated Polish Home, 1030 W. Mt. Hope Rd., Lansing, MI. Pot luck dinner at 6 pm; meeting at 7 pm.

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**Buffalo Bus to PRCUA Convention**

Shuffling off from Buffalo to Chicago: A bus for friends and delegates will be leaving Buffalo, New York on August 7th for the PRCUA Convention in Rosemont, IL, and returning at the end of the Convention. Anyone interested in riding this bus from Buffalo, or points along the route, is welcome to do so on a first come, first served basis. Likely pick-up points can include Erie, PA; Ashtabula, OH, Cleveland, OH and Toledo, OH areas. For more information and details call District 2 Director Bill Nowakowski at (716) 875-7044.

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**To all Candidates for National Office of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America...**

The Officers, Directors and Delegates of PRCUA District #8 cordially invites you to attend a

**CANDIDATES FORUM**

Sunday, July 18, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

Fives Holy Martyrs Parish
4327 South Richmond St., Chicago, Illinois
Bishop Abramowicz Hall
"Come and meet the District 8 delegates to the PRCUA 60th Quadrennial Convention."

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**Please Save Cancelled Stamps for the Missions**

Used postage stamps are worth money! Please save your cancelled postage stamps, trim them to 1/4 inch on all sides and send them to the Sisters to support Catholic missionaries; Felician Sisters, Villa Maria Convent 600 Doat Street, Buffalo, NY 14211

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**FIND OUT WHAT YOUR POLISH NAME MEANS!**

For a custom-researched analysis of where your Polish last name came from, how many others share it, where they live and whether a coat of arms goes with it, please airmail a $16 check (add $9 for each additional surname) to:

Robert Strybel
ul. Kaniowska 24
01-529 Warsaw, Poland
NATIONAL DIRECTORS

The number of National Directors in each District is determined by the number of PRCUA members in that District, therefore the number of Directors varies.

DISTRICT 1 - ONE DIRECTOR

Marsha M. Mikuszewski of Adams, MA, a member of St. Michael the Archangel Society #339. She works in web operations quality assurance and earned a B.A. degree from Elms College. She has been a PRCUA member since 1971

DISTRICT 2 - ONE DIRECTOR

Gregory Blaise Olma of Buffalo NY, a member of St. Ladislaus Society #540. He is a government employee, who earned his B.A. degree from University of Tennessee, and a B.A. degree from State University of New York at Buffalo. He has been a member since 2004.

DISTRICT 3 - TWO DIRECTORS

Edward F. Kaplaniak of Johnstown, PA, a member of St. Casimir’s Society #531. He is a retired and a current Director of District 3. He received an Associate Degree from Pennsylvania State University and has been a PRCUA member since 1965.

Joanne I. Zajac of Philadelphia, PA, a member of St. Anne’s Society #2010. She is a manager of statutory deposits and a current Director of District 3. She attended the University of Pennsylvania. She has been a member since 1948.

DISTRICT 4 - ONE DIRECTOR

Richard Paul Turkiewicz of Winter Springs, FL, a member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Society #1492. He is self-employed and the current Director of District 4. He earned a M.A. degree from State University College of New York at Buffalo. He has been a PRCUA member since 1986

DISTRICT 5 - TWO DIRECTORS

Mitchell John Biena of Cleveland, OH, a member of Henryk Sienkiewicz Society #2220. He is a retired teacher and a current Director of District 5. He received his Ed. D. degree from Nova University. He has been a PRCUA member since 1994.

Joseph Anthony Lecznar of Seven Hills, OH, a member of Society of King Casimir the Great Society #2199. He is a fire captain who earned an Associate Degree from Cuyahoga Community College. He’s been a PRCUA member since 1978.

Joan Carol Sylak of Toledo, OH, a member of St. Thaddeus Society #1617. She is a collection supervisor and a current Director of District 5. She attended the Toledo Academy of Beauty Culture. She has been a PRCUA member since 1990.

DISTRICT 6 - ONE DIRECTOR

Constance Louise Bonin of Athens, WI, a member of St. Stanislaus Kostka Society #283 and Queen Mary of Poland Society #413. She is retired and graduated from Thornton Fractional High School North. She has been a PRCUA member since 1968.

DISTRICT 7 - TWO DIRECTORS

Robert Joseph Bugielski of Chicago, IL, a member of Resurrection Society #1580. He is an Associate Director of the Illinois Liquor Commission, who earned his B.S. from Chicago State University. He is the current Director of District 7 and has been a PRCUA member since 1974.

PRCUA Candidates for National Offices (Cont.)

(A District 7 Continued)

Anna Krysiński of Glenview, IL, a member of Society #1624. She is a real estate agent who graduated from the University of Warsaw, Poland. She has been a PRCUA member since 1984.

David H. Marutzy of Chicago, IL, a member of St. Fidelis Society #878. He is a Chicago building inspector. He attended A. A. Wright Jr. College and has been a PRCUA member since 1981.

DISTRICT 8 - TWO DIRECTORS

Kryystyna J. Lech of Palos Park, IL, a member of St. Joseph Society #1634. She is a PCT and Certified Licensed Practical Nurse and a current Director of District 8. She studied at the University of Illinois - Chicago and has been a PRCUA member since 1998.

James Andrew Rustik of Woodridge, IL, a member of Sacred Heart of Mary Society #880. He is an attorney who graduated with a J.D. degree from John Marshall Law School. He is a current Director of District 8 and has been a PRCUA member since 1991.

DISTRICT 9 - ONE DIRECTOR

Elizabeth Antonina Grabowski of Munster, IN and a member of St. Peter & Paul Society #234. She is a homemaker and earned her M.A. degree at the Eastern Academy of Kotowice, Poland. She is the current Director of District 9. She has been a PRCUA member since 1991.

DISTRICT 10 - TWO DIRECTORS

Colleen Katherine Bonkowski of Warren, MI, a member of St. Maximilian Kolbe Society #1618. She is a prep specialist who graduated from Lincoln High School. She has been a PRCUA member since 1994.

Thomas Zygmund Lisiecki of Warren, MI, a member of St. Joseph Society #261. He is a senior programmer/project leader and a current Director of District 10. He received an Associate Degree from Wayne State University. He has been a PRCUA member since 1968.

Christopher Joseph Ozog of Madison Heights, MI, a member of St. Theresa Society #428. He is an architect with a M.A. degree from Lawrence Technological University. He has been a PRCUA member since 1979.

Joseph Ozog, Jr. of Romulus, MI, a member of Fr. A’s Society #1493. He is retired and graduated from Chaldean High School. He has been a PRCUA member since 1960.

Elections for the national officers will take place at the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America’s 60th Quadrennial Convention, which will take place in Rosemont, Illinois from August 8 to August 11, 2010.
The following is a list of life insurance certificates that Mr. Kazimierz Burzynski, famous Polish artist, received at an art reception.

SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS SEMINARY'S GRADUATION

Orchard Lake, MI - On May 1, 2010, 8 candidates of SS. Cyril & Methodius Seminary (SSCMS) graduated in a commencement ceremony held in the lake level conference room of the Adam Cardinal Maida Alumni Library. Very Rev. Msgr. Charles G. Kosanke, Rector/President of SSCMS conferred degrees upon the candidates, while Bishop Francis R. Reiss, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Detroit and Vice Chairman of the SSCMS Board of Trustees, extended his congratulations on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

Graduating with a Master of Divinity were: Tomasz Jerzy Górny, Diocese of Springfield, MA; Sebastian Klaudiusz Kos, Archdiocese of Hartford, CT; Adam Filip Kotas, Diocese of Santa Rosa, CA; Karol Jan Ksiazek, Diocese of Bridgeport, CT; Piotr Jack Pawlusz, Diocese of Springfield, MA; Grzegorz Podolowski, Diocese of Orlando, FL; and Artur Dominik Przywara, Diocese of Charleston, SC. Earning a Master of Arts (Theology) was Patrick R. O’Lear, Sterling Heights, MI.

Six of the men earning their M.Div degrees will be or have already been ordained to the priesthood in 2010. The other is expected to be ordained in 2011 after he completes a parish internship within his Diocese.

The Commencement Address was delivered by PRCUA National Vice Chaplain Rev. Canon Anthony D. Iwuc, who is a 1949 graduate of St. Mary’s College, where he received a BA, Philosophy, and a 1953 graduate of SSCMS, where he earned his M. Div. Early in his message, Fr. Iwuc focused on God, faith, and purpose, saying, “God puts a man in the right place at the right time to do what he is meant to do.” He also emphasized the importance of the graduates’ support for the Orchard Lake Schools, their Alma Mater, where each was nurtured, guided and prepared for priesthood.


dance group.

### Polish Folk Dance Instructors and Choreographers Needed in Central Florida

Polish Folk Dance instructors/choreographers are needed in Central Florida in the Orlando, Lake Mary, Oviedo, Sanford, Winter Springs area. Please call Director Richard Turkiewicz at 321-377-3295 if interested in starting a PRCUA dance group.

### Missionaries Include PRCUA Members

A crew of over 30 young men from Everest Academy took advantage of an opportunity to help native Mexican families living in remote villages around La Cochia. This mission trip of 10 days coincided with Holy Week and the Easter celebration. This group of middle school boys, a few fathers, and Father Lorenzo Gomez, of Everest Academy, spent this mission trip working with local villagers to build floors and roofs for poor families. The boys also had the opportunity to play with many youngsters of the villagers to build floors and roofs for poor families. The boys also had the opportunity to play with many youngsters of the village.

PAPAS WELCOMES ARTIST

CASEY BURZYNSKI

Cook County Treasurer Maria Pappas welcomes Kazimierz Burzynski, famous Polish artist, to her art reception. Burzynski’s oil paintings of the late Pope John Paul II were displayed in St. Hyacinth Basilica and other local places. Burzynski presents Treasurer Pappas with his pencil sketch of her that he made at the reception. The Treasurer also presented him with an award of excellence for making portraiture an art. Pappas regularly hangs the artwork of artists in her office.

### $ $ $ Money May Be Owed to You $ $ $

IMPORTANT: The following is a list of life insurance certificates that have matured but are left unpaid. If the money is not paid out, it will go to the State. If you know the whereabouts of the following members or their family, please contact the PRCUA with their updated contact information or contact the person directly and ask them to call the PRCUA at 1-800-772-8632 Ext. 2604 or write to: Josephine Szarowicz, Secy.-Tres., PRCUA, 984 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, IL 60642-4101.

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| Srednicka | Stefania | 283 IL |
| Stachnik | Maria | 1000 IL |
| Stall | Marianna | 388 IL |
| Stanczyk | Antoni | 470 IL |
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(TO BE CONTINUED IN NEXT ISSUE)
**Results of Polish Presidential Election: Run-Off July 4**

By Robert Strybel, Our Warsaw Correspondent

Warsaw - Bronislaw Komorowski, the candidate of the pro-business Civic Platform (PO) group, won 51.4% of the vote in the first round of Poland's presidential election. His main rival Jaroslaw Kaczynski, representing the conservative Law and Justice (PiS) party, came within 12% of the vote. The second round of the election will take place on July 4th.

Polish voters cast their ballots for Jaroslaw Kaczynski who received 70% of the Polonian vote. Komorowski received 25% and Napieralski a mere 2.5%. Similar results were achieved with the front-runners for appointments or other concessions is likely. Napieralski who received nearly 13.68% of the vote. Analysts see him as a king-maker in the second round, since his support can make or break either of the top two candidates. Behind-the-scenes bargaining with the front-runners for appointments or other concessions is likely.

Brothers and Sisters

Submitted by Wanda Pilis, Recording Secretary

Peter Modzelewski Passed Away

Staten Island, NY - Peter Modzelewski, a member of PRCUA Society #353 for 53 years, passed away on April 10, 2010 after suffering a heart attack.

He was born in Travis, Staten Island, NY and graduated from McKee High School. He worked for the Sanitation Department from 1953 to 1962. He then took over his father's business, the Modzelewski Meat Market, which is known for making delicious kielbasy. Peter was also known for his friendliness and good humor. He sold the business in 1978 and retired.

He was a volunteer for the Oceanic Engine Company No. 1, and served as President and then a Lieutenant of the Volunteer Fire Department. He also played softball for the St. Anthony of Padua church league. Peter serves as a Society Treasurer for the PRCUA in the late 1960s and early 1970s. He belonged to the Pulaski Association and also American Legion Gold Star Post #1365 in Travis.

Peter Modzelewski is survived by three daughters: Dale, Rita Thatcher and Susan Scasny; two sisters: Jane Pecherski and Stasia Miller; a brother Richard; 10 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Travis, Staten Island, NY and burial was at St. Peter's Cemetery, West Brighton, Staten Island, NY. May he rest in eternal peace!

**May they rest in eternal peace.**

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**Last CD**

**“SHOUTIN’ OUT POLKAS”**

by STAS BULANDA

Chicago Polkas has just received their last CD by Stas Bulanda, one of the nation’s top polka stars, who passed away in January, 2010, a victim of cancer.

Among the six Polish vocals are the hits Pizał list do Polski and Zagrzeba muzyczni plus traditional songs like Z goły jedź, Ta stara wierzba, Góralu, etc.

The English songs include the hits: Thank You for This Day and Born a Polka Musician. Instrumentals are Accordion-Concertina Polka and a Krakowik. Available at $15.00 postpaid from PMA Gift Shop, 984 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, IL 60642-4101. Call toll-free 1-800-772-8632 Ext. 2601.
POLISH POCKETS
Aurelia Stabnik, Highland, IN
1 pkg. kielbasa, sliced 1 onion, chopped
1 gr. pepper, chopped 1 Tbsp. butter
1 lg. can sauerkraut 1/2 pt. sour cream
2 Tbsp. Dijon mustard pitabread
Saute kielbasa with onion and pepper in butter. Add drained sauerkraut. Heat through. Mix sour cream and mustard and then add to sauerkraut mixture. Serve in pita pockets.

1-2-3-4 Cake
Jean Gogonielski of Throop, PA
1 c. Crisco 2 c. sugar
3 c. cake flour 4 eggs
½ tsp. salt 1-1/3 c. milk
1 tsp. vanilla ⅛ tsp. almond extract
Combine flour, baking soda and salt; set aside. In a separate bowl, cream Crisco and sugar well; add eggs; add flour mixture, alternating with milk; beat after each addition. Add flavorings and mix. Pour into greased and floured tube pan. Bake at 350 degree over for 45–60 min. Cool and spread with creamy frosting or serve with Cool Whip and strawberries.

Herbed Cheese Spread
Olga Wojcich, Ladysmith, WI
8 oz. cream cheese softened 2 Tbsp. chopped chives
¼ c. crumbled feta cheese 2 Tbsp. chopped parsley
¼ c. finely chopped black olives (squeezed dry in paper towel.) Mix all ingredients and spread on crackers.

Reuben Casserole
Ruth Gornyca of Wheeling, WV
1 lb. sauerkraut, rinsed and drained
1 lg. can sauerkraut (or more) 1-1/2 lb. corned beef sliced thin
1 lb. swiss cheese, sliced med.
1 loaf rye bread cut in cubes
1 stick melted butter
Mix melted butter with cubed bread. In an 11"x7" baking dish, place the sauerkraut on bottom, then a layer of corned beef and spread on half of dressing. Add swiss cheese, then other half of dressing. The add butter/bread mixture. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 to 45 min uncovered. (I use day-old rye bread.)

It is tradition for the PRCUA to hold special contests during a Convention Year to give our members an opportunity to win prizes. This year is no exception. The PRCUA is sponsoring three contests. The winners will be announced at the Convention.

ADULT ESSAY CONTEST
The PRCUA is announcing an Adult Essay Contest on the topic: "From the Past to the Future - How the PRCUA keeps our Forefather’s Traditions alive." All PRCUA members age 16 years and older are eligible to participate in the contest. One winner will be chosen. Since this year is the 137th anniversary of the PRCUA, the lucky winner will receive a total of $137.00 worth of prizes: $75.00 plus John Radzilowski’s “The Eagle and the Cross - A History of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America” ($25.00 value) and Joseph Zurawski’s book “POLISH CHICAGO: Our History - Our Recipes” ($37.00 value).

Directions: Simply submit an essay of no more than 2 pages (hand written or typed double-space) to the editors. Include your name, address, area code and telephone number and your PRCUA Society number. Essays can be in English or Polish and can be submitted by email or in hard copy. National officers, national directors, school directors, choreographers and PRCUA employees are excluded from the contest. However Society officers, assistant teachers and choreographers and insurance agents are eligible to participate, the same as all other members. Your essay must be received at the Home Office by the Friday, July 23, 2010 deadline. Send to: Narod Polski Editor, 984 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, IL 60642-4101 or email: narod.polski@prcua.org. Note: All essays submitted by email will be acknowledged. If you send an essay by email and do not receive a reply within 3 days, please call 1-800-772-8632 Ext. 2640.

YOUTH ART CONTEST
All PRCUA juvenile members ages 6 to 15 years are invited to participate in the PRCUA 60th Convention Art Contest. There are three age categories: 6 to 8, 9 to 12 and 13 to 15 years. The theme is: “The Polish Roman Catholic Union of America: Past, Present and Future.”

All entries will be displayed at the 60th Convention at the Roosevelt Hotel at O’Hare in Rosemont, IL August 8 through 11, 2010 to demonstrate the involvement of our PRCUA youths in fraternal events. First and second place prizes of $50 and $25 respectively, will be awarded in each age category. Artwork can be any size but no larger than poster size and can be done in any medium chosen by the child. All entries must include the child’s name, address, area code and phone number and Society number. All entries must be received at the Home Office by the Friday, July 23, 2010 deadline. Send to: Narod Polski Editor, 984 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, IL 60642-4101.

CONTEST FOR SOCIETIES
The PRCUA Society that has the most members converting from receiving the paper format Narod Polski in the mail to receiving the newspaper in a PDF format on their computer - between March 1 and August 8th will receive a prize of $137. The prize represents the 137th anniversary of the PRCUA.

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Dear Readers,

On July 4, 1776, we claimed our independence from Britain and democracy was born. In honor of our founders and, in spirit of our freedom, it is a good time to think about where we are as a nation. This country is still the land of the free, home of the brave and the country that we love. Let’s enjoy the 4th of July, a day filled with parades and speeches, picnics, family and fireworks. Do not forget to display our American flag. Many thanks to all who provide the opportunity to celebrate yet another anniversary of freedom. May God bless the men and women who fought for our country and may God Bless America! Wishing all of you a safe and happy 4th of July and Happy Birthday, America!

The sunny weather has finally arrived. It is time for cookouts, picnics and get-togethers with your family and friends. If you are looking for good and easy food recipes for July, or as great gift idea, remember the PRCUA cookbook! To receive yours, just send a check for $15.00 (post paid) to PRCUA Cookbook and send to: PRCUA, 984 N. Milwaukee, Chicago, IL 60642.

Let me share with you what was happening in the last few weeks. The month of May is always a busy time of year for our Polish Language Schools with graduations and end of the school year ceremonies.

On May 2nd the graduating class of John Paul II Polish Language School from Lemont, IL, held its banquet for this year’s graduating class. It was the last formal occasion for the senior students before they leave for summer vacation and, for most, embark upon the next stage of their education: college. It was a time to celebrate the success of this very talented group of young adults and reflect upon their achievements. The speeches perfectly reflected the mood of the evening. The formal program started with the performance of a beautiful Polonaise, under the direction of Misia and Richard Jaminski. Entertainment included dancing to the late hours of the evening. It was a fantastic evening which I hope will remain in the memories of the 2010 graduating class for a long time to come. Special thank you, to all students, for their kind words and flowers.

On May 16, St. Rafael Kalinowski Polish Language School in Munster, IN, held its annual celebration at the end of the school year and graduation ceremony. After Mass, in the nearby park an annual school picnic was held which was a great success due to beautiful weather and numerous activities. It was a joyful ending to the school year and everyone had a great time!

On Friday, May 21, Maria Konopnicka Polish language School in Oak Lawn, IL, held its end of the school year ceremony and on Saturday at Five Holy Martyrs all the graduating students from grammar and high school participated at the special Mass in their honor.

On May 23, a very special graduation Mass was held at St. Mary of the Angels Church in Chicago. The church is an example of ‘Polish Cathedral style’ of churches and it is one of the monumental Polish churches. It is an annual tradition that all graduating seniors from the Polish language schools celebrate their graduation at one of Chicago area’s Polish churches. Almost 700 graduating students, along with their parents, teachers, and guests, attended this graduation ceremony at a special Mass which was concelebrated by local Polish priests. After Mass, some of the graduates were recognized for their academic success and were presented scholarships, as many of them have distinguished themselves in academics achievements.

We are so proud of our youth who want to preserve Polish language, culture and traditions. We wish you all the best and hope to hear from you down the road. Be involved in our organization and in the community. Remember the happy times you had in Polish language school and the people you met who will always be part of your life. We, the PRCUA, will be here for you as well. It was wonderful to meet so many students during my visits to their schools and various functions and reflect on their accomplishments with joy. It is somewhat difficult parting as we bid our senior class good-bye and wish them well on their most exciting journey into adulthood. Dear Graduates, remember, you have the opportunity to be our future leaders and as a leader, people will be looking to you for guidance, even if you are not aware of it. Always strive to use your abilities to empower those you lead. Stay connected and we look forward to learning of your future endeavors and successes. We congratulate all of our graduating students on a job well done.

In April, Pope Benedict XVI appointed Bishop Thomas J. Paprocki to the position of Bishop Ordinary and the ninth Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield, IL. Bishop Paprocki has served as Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago for the last 7 years and as Cardinal Francis George’s liaison to Polonia. He has been a great friend to Polonia and our organization. On May 17, at St. Constance Church in Chicago, Bishop Thomas J. Paprocki celebrated his farewell Mass before leaving for Springfield. The church was packed with parishioners, representatives from Polonia’s organizations and special guests. After Mass, a reception sponsored by Polish Petrolia Language School and the PWA and PRCUA - was held in honor of and in thanksgiving for Bishop Paprocki’s ministry work. The PRCUA congratulates Bishop Thomas Paprocki on his auspicious appointment by the Holy Father.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - Happy Belated Birthday to very special person and great friend to many - Walter L. Sojka, who celebrated his 80th Birthday, on May 1, 2010. His contributions to our organization and presence at our events is much appreciated, especially to the Polish Women’s Alliance. He and his wife, Ewa, throw the best party with a beautiful and really fantastic party. Thank you so much for an unforgettable evening! We wish you good health, which is so necessary for a cheerful perception of life, happiness and all the best!

Happy Birthday to all readers celebrating their birthday in July, especially PRCUA employees: Julie Prado, general office supervisor; Mark Sorb, general office; and Emily Kurda, Controller; to Fred Tuytens, a very friendly Polish Museum guide. Also Happy Birthday and Sto Lat to Rogalin-Gym Director, Mary Ann Davis. Very special 10th Birthday wishes to the beautiful Gillian Rustik.

August Weekdays - PRCUA employees: Maria Grza’dzio, general office; fraternal agent William Seranko; PMA employee Julita Siegel; PRCUA National Director Edward Kaplaniak. To my husband, Mark, and his twin brother, Bohdan, - best wishes always! Wishing all of you a very special birthday that is filled with happiness and health! Wishing you all a special, happy day!

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY - Another link of love will be celebrated in July by Joan and Donald Versen; Basia and Patrick Foran; John and Ligia Borkowski, Anna (Muszalski) and Chris Toltzman. Happy Anniversary to all who are celebrating in August: Joann and President Wallace Ozog, President Emeritus Edward and Loretta Dylata, Dona and National Director Robert Bugulsksi, National Director Krystyna and Tadeusz Lech, Misia and Richard Jaminski, Jolanta and Jacek Tatara, Danielle (Lech) and Robert Kroplewski. Also my sister, Eva, and Steve Maze, daughter Basia and Sean Ackerman, and daughter Alicja and Chris Marron.

Happy Anniversary to my husband, a kind and devoted man who has made my life and extra zing into everything; I treasure the special love that came into my life so many years ago. I love you so much, Mark. You are everything to me and bring me so much happiness. God has truly blessed me and I thank Him for you.

CONGRATULATIONS - On behalf of our organization, we send congratulations and best wishes to Mary Anselmo, on her wedding to the President of Congress Illinois Division and we look forward to working with her in the future. We wish her a successful presidency.

GET WELL WISHES - We are sending best wishes for a speedy recovery to District 48 National Director Krystyna Lech and James Rustik, both are recovering after knee surgeries.

Dear Readers, as you know by now, the PRCUA Convention is upon us. This will be a great time for gathering new ideas, renewing old friendships, gaining strength from like-minded delegates, a busy time deliberating and to have some fun, too. I truly look forward to representing our organization and the Fraternal Department at our Convention.

Please accept my deepest appreciation for your generous support over the last eight years. It has been a wonderful time deliberating and to have some fun, too. I truly look forward to representing our organization and the Fraternal Department at our Convention.

On July 1, 2010
BIRTHDAY GREETINGS - MSGR. FRANCIS FERET, Pastor of St. Adalbert Church, our across-the-street neighbor, is celebrating a birthday on July 7th. The members of SOCIETY 2013 are sending Happy Birthday Greetings. Here’s wishing Msgr. Feret a “happy make-a-wish and blow-out-the-candles day”.

I FEEL GOOD - On May 30th, SOCIETY 2015’s SEAN QUINN of Boston, Massachusetts participated in the “Boston’s Run to Remember” Half Marathon, which is a tribute to remember fallen law enforcement heroes. The race runs through the best of Boston beginning and ending at the Seaport World Trade Center. Sean is the husband of Ashley, the daddy of CORSON, son of SHARON and ED QUINN, brother of KELLY and JOHN GEARY, and Uncle of HANNAH AND CONLAN GEARY all SOCIETY 2015 members. We’re surely proud of Sean’s commitment and his vim and vigor. (PRCUA members’ names indicated in capital letters.)

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION
CONGRATULATIONS - SOCIETY 2015’s CHELSEY RODOWICZ of Bear, Delaware graduated from Middletown High School in Delaware on Monday, May 24, 2010. Chelsey certainly was a very ambitious student. She was a Chorus Member and a member of the All State Choir for 4 years. She took active parts in the Ensemble, in Musicals and the Tri-M which is a musical Honor Society. Chelsey was also a member of the National Honor Society, Student Council and a Class Officer during her junior and senior years, along with being on the high honor roll every year in high school. She ran with a team for the “light the night” walk. At graduation, she had the privilege of introducing all the board members. She was the recipient of the Spanish Student Award for her senior class and ranked #7 in her class of 480 students. Chelsey will attend the University of Delaware in the honors program for a double major in Communications and Spanish, with a minor in Journalism. The entire Rodowicz family was beaming with joy at Chelsey’s graduation and they certainly have a reason to be proud. “Chelsey, it’s evident your future holds great opportunities for you. We hope your dreams take you to the highest of your hopes.”

GRADUATION CONGRATULATIONS - PAIGE AGNES YANCER of SOCIETY 2002 graduated from kindergarten at Mother of Divine Grace Parochial School on Friday, May 27, 2010. Graduation exercises were held at Mother of Divine Grace Church Hall. The little graduates sang “Good-Bye Farewell” from the Sound of Music. PAIGE and her family were pleasantly surprised when it was announced that she was the recipient of the Handwriting Award. Paige was promoted to 1st grade and will attend Mother of Divine Grace Parochial School. On June 30th, she performed in her 4th dance recital for the Creative School of Performing Arts and was in a cheer dance and a ballet act. She is the daughter of Chrissy and Jimmy Yancer.

ALLISON MARIE SOP of Ridley Park, PA graduated from Pre-K at Today’s Child in Primos, PA on June 10th. Graduation exercises were held outside on the school grounds. The Pre-K class entertained by singing Zippyty Doo Dah and other cute songs as well. ALLISON will be a busy little girl as she will be attending pre-kindergarten class for a couple of hours each day for 4 weeks. She is a 4th generation member and is a member of SOCIETY 2002 and 2022. Her parents, MICHELLE and SEAN SOP are members of SOCIETY 2022.

CECILIA GRACE BURKHARDT of Glenolden, PA graduated from St. Kevin’s Parochial School on June 11, 2010. Graduation exercises were held in St. Kevin’s Church at 10:00 AM. The kindergarten graduates sang a delightful song to the tune of “New York, New York” along with other religious songs. She was promoted to 1st grade and will be attending St. Kevin’s Parochial School. CECILIA is a Daisy in the Girl Scout Troop at school and a member of the Guardian Angels where she performs random acts of kindness for members of the Parish. She also attends Tap and Jazz Classes at the Ridley YMCA. She is a 4th generation member and together with her mom and dad, KIM and RONALD and her younger sisters, KATHRYN and EMILY are members of SOCIETY 2022.

CECILIA and ALLISON are the granddaughters of RON AND ELAINE BURKHARDT of SOCIETY 2022. “The little ones are certainly growing up. They’ve learned to color inside the lines, print their names and even tie their shoes. Congratulations PAIGE, CECILIA AND ALLISON; everyone is so proud of you.”

IN SYMPATHY - Condolences are extended to BERTHA JANYSZEK of SOCIETY 2022 on the loss of her dear son, Martin who passed away on May 8th. The deceased is also survived by a brother in addition to his cousins MARY, EMILY and TIMOTHY JANYSZEK and IRENE, ALYSSA, ADAM, MATTHEW and DAVID COIA all members of SOCIETY 2022. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. John Cantius Church with interment at Holy Redeemer Cemetery.

On May 3, 2009, FRANCES BOCZAR of SOCIETY 2029 Reading, PA passed away in Louisville, KY. She was a very active member and served as the Financial Secretary for over 30 years. A memorial service and Mass was held in Louisville, KY with a funeral and entombment in Reading. Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire JANYSZEK and BOczAR Families on their great loss.

SUMMERTIME - Besides planning for a trip to the sea shore or to the mountains or even to a beautiful island, we hope you are also thinking about your future and are adequately insured. Now is the right time to stop by the Philadelphia Satellite Office and give us the opportunity to introduce you to our popular Annuity Series as well as our various types of PRCUA Life Insurance Plans. We’re here to meet your insurance needs so just knock on our door or give us a call. It’s always a pleasure to be of service to YOU.

Have a great month and don’t forget “A hug is a great gift, one size fits all and it’s easy to exchange.”

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By all accounts, the Mass was electrifying. The steel workers captured Fr. Jerzy's trademark motto: "Overcome evil with good." 

Father Popieluszko, 37, was abducted, tortured and murdered by three communist secret-police agents who hurled his bound and battered body over a dam into the River Vistula. He was murdered in reprisal for his patriotic monthly Homeland Mass (Msza za Ojczyzne) at Warsaw's Saint Stanislaus Kostka Church. The mass lifted the spirits of his downtrodden compatriots during the grim years of martial law (1981-1983) and afterwards but infuriated Poland's communist rulers.

At the final Mass that he celebrated, he said: “Let us pray that we may be free from fear and intimidation, but most of all that we may be free from the desire for violence and vengeance” Fr. Jerzy is a rare role model.

Jerzy, born in 1947, was one of 5 children in the devoutly Catholic Popieluszko family who resided in the village of Okopy in northeastern Poland's Podlasie region. His older brother Józef recalls how the entire family would pray on their knees together every morning and evening, Jerzy served as an altar boy and, on days when he wasn't serving, he would rise early and walk 3 miles to attend Mass before going to school. He was drafted into a special army unit for seminarians, which subjected recruits to atheist propaganda, humiliation and harassment to turn them against the Church. He was punished for refusing to remove his religious medal and surrender his rosary. "How easy it is to suffer, when one suffers for Christ," he wrote of that incident.

Jerzy Popieluszko was ordained in 1972 by Cardinal Wyszynski. He was a man of slight build and frail health, who served in a village parish outside of Warsaw for 8 years, when he was transferred to the vibrant St. Stanislaus Kostka parish in Warsaw. Shortly after the Gdansk ship workers went on strike in August 1980, Jerzy, joined by the Warsaw steelworkers, the strikers asked the diocese to send a priest to offer Mass. The chancery sent Fr. Jerzy.

In December 1981, the government declared martial law, a curfew was imposed, industrial plants were militarized and some 30,000 Solidarity activists were arrested and imprisoned him on trumped-up charges that he had stockpiles of explosive in the rectory. But they were forced, by protests of the Church and the people, to release him. Someone even left the bloodied body of his dog at the rectory door.

Afrad for the priest, strikers had petitioned the cardinal to send Fr. Jerzy abroad, but Fr. Jerzy had refused to go. Those closest to him acknowledged that he was afraid. But he carried on. “The only thing we should fear is the betrayal of Christ for a few silver pieces of meaningless peace.”

On October 1984, the police staged a car accident. But he escaped unharmed. A week later, on October 19th, while he and his driver, Waldemar Chrostowski, were returning from evening Mass at a remote church, security officers stopped him and forced Fr. Jerzy into the trunk of their car. Waldemar escaped into the night and lived to tell what happened. Fr. Jerzy was never again seen alive. Eleven days after he was kidnapped, on October 30, his body was found. He had been savagely beaten, tied with rope, loaded with stones, and dumped, still alive, into the Vistula Water Reservoir near Wloclawek.

Under public pressure and extensive international media scrutiny the regime had no choice but to hold a trial in which the three killers and their mid-level direct superior were convicted of the crime. They have long since been released following a series of amnesties, but the higher-ups who ordered the killing have never been identified nor brought to justice.

“If we must die suddenly, it is surely better to meet death defending a worthwhile cause than sitting back and letting injustice win,” Blessed Jerzy once said.

His funeral drew nearly a million people. Their common grief created a collective voice that contributed to the beginning of the end of the brutal Communist regime. After years of struggle, the Solidarity trade union and Poland’s communist party negotiated a peaceful, bloodless end to communism in Poland in 1989. In Poland’s first free election, a Solidarity government was elected.

Since his death, over 18 million people have visited Blessed Fr. Jerzy Popieluszko’s tomb, including Pope John Paul II in 1987 at which time he said, “This priest-martyr will remain forever in the memory of our Nation as a courageous defender of truth, justice, freedom, and human dignity.”

“The priest is called to bear witness to the truth, to suffer for the truth, and if need be to give up his life for it,” Fr. Jerzy wrote in 1984. “We have many such examples in Christianity. From them we should draw conclusions.”

Blessed Father Jerzy Popieluszko is now himself such an example. He invites all of us to break through our fear, silence, despair, complicity and indifference, and follow Jesus by joining the struggle for justice and peace. That, he said, was a “meaningful life rather than sitting back and letting injustice win.”

The beatification was followed by a 4-hour 7.5 mile long procession bearing the martyr’s relics through Warsaw to the Church of Divine Providence in Wilanów.

There they were enshrined in a basilica still under construction, which will be a National Religious Sanctuary. (Excerpted from National Catholic Reporter and Robert Struppel's article, "Father Jerzy joins the ranks of blessed.")
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By Robert Strybel, Our Warsaw Correspondent

Warsaw - Up to 200,000 spectators, including Polish-American tourists will head for northern Poland’s Grunwald area in mid-July to witness Poland’s largest ever historical re-enactment. One of the Middle Ages’ biggest military clashes has been re-enacted for years on the fields of Grunwald in the forested Mazurian Lake District. Knightly brotherhoods from all over Europe take part in the event and work all year to prepare their armor, weaponry and equipment. It is a point of honor to keep things as historically authentic as possible.

This year’s event will be special because it marks the 600th anniversary of the July 15, 1410 battle that changed the course of European history. To understand its significance, we need to go back to 1226, when Duke Conrad of Mazovia committed the greatest blunder in Polish history. He invited the Teutonic Knights, an order of German warrior monks, to protect his realm against the invading pagan Prussians. The Knights came, started to take over and soon created a fortified Teutonic state that was a serious threat to the Slavic and Baltic nations.

The July 15, 1410 battle was the largest battle in Medieval European history. It was between the Teutonic Knights and the combined forces of the Kingdom of Poland and the Grand Duchy of Lithuania, who were recently joined through their ruler, King Wladyslaw Jagelio.

It was a massive battle with 24,000 Germans and mercenaries pitted against 39,000 on the Polish-Lithuanian side. Ultimately the might of the Teutonic Knights was crushed, and their commander, Ulrich von Jungingen, fell in combat. The Teutonic Order never recovered its former power, although it did manage to retain its headquarters in Malbork and most of its castles and territory. The decisive victory of the Polish-Lithuanian forces stopped the expansion of Germany into Polish territory in its quest for more lands for settlement and trade. Poland’s victory secured her western border and the country withstood further incursion from its German neighbors.

In Poland, Grunwald remains a rallying cry for Polish patriotism and the sovereignty of its borders. The battle was immortalized in a monumental painting “Bitwa pod Grunwaldem”, by Poland’s great historical painter Jan Matejko (1838-1893) and the historical novel “Krzyzacy” (“Knights of the Cross”) by Nobel Prize-winning novelist Henryk Sienkiewicz (1846-1916) served to uplift Polish spirits during foreign subjugation. The 1960 film “Krzyzacy”, based on the Sienkiewicz work, was one of Poland’s first historical blockbusters.

The joint struggle against a common foe brought Poland and Lithuania closer and set the stage for the creation of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth.

Michigan 2010 “Fraternalist of the Year” Award

The “Fraternalist of the Year” award is presented annually by the Michigan Fraternal Congress (MFC) to an individual in recognition of his/her dedication to fraternalism and for outstanding service and contributions.

The nominee can be of any age, must be living and must reside in MI; they must be a member of a fraternal benefit society; their services must be done without compensation; nominees can be either a volunteer or home office personnel. MFC executive board members are not eligible for nomination.

All nomination forms must be postmarked by July 27, 2010. For details and an application contact:

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On Sunday, April 11, the Illinois-Indiana Women’s Division held its annual Swieconka, hosted by District 9 at the Carmelite Fathers Monastery in Munster, IN. The officers of District #9 are: National Director Elizabeth Grabowski, who chaired the event, President Paul Pawlowski, Elizabeth Sadus, Recording Secretary; Shirley Mudy, Treasurer and Stanley Mudy, Sergeant-at-Arms.

This event was a combination of celebrating 57 years of District #9, 42 years of District #9 Polish Language and Dance Schools, 37 years of St. Joseph the Worker Society #1579 (founder Casimer M. Pawlowski, husband of Supervisor Barbara Pawlowski), honoring our eldest and original founders - Lori Gorny, Chester Kmiec, Msgr. Joseph L. Mroczkowski - and in memory of our past officer and directors and members in District #9 who were the original the original founders of PRCUA District #9.

The day began with a procession and Noon Mass, with included the PRCUA flag bearers James Robaczewski (D-7), John Frankowicz (D-8) and Paul A. Pawlowski (D-9), National and District officers, members, students of District 9’s St. Rafal Kalinowski Polish Language and Dance School, Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Ensemble, Polish Highlanders and a church filled to capacity. Although it was a beautiful, sunny day, it was a very solemn time because the day before, the President and First Lady of Poland and 94 high ranking dignitaries perished in a plane crash in Smolensk. Many Mass participants wore black armbands as a sign of mourning.

The Polish flag was at half-mast and draped in black in honor of plane crash victims. It was a difficult time of silence and tears, as the group mourned together in prayer.

Preparations for this event had been going on for 4 months. After Mass, 140 guests filled the banquet hall. Fr. Francis Czaicki blessed the food and everyone appreciated the Polish dinner. Instead of giving a dance performance, dancers from “Slask,” under the direction of choreographers Natalie Grabowski and Konrad Habina, and from “Wesoly Lud,” under the direction of Misia and Richard Jaminski, presented a program called “In Memoriam of the Victims” in which they sang traditional songs and recited appropriate poems.

At 3 pm, everyone took part in Divine Mercy prayers, since it was also Divine Mercy Sunday, and then returned to the banquet hall for cake and coffee, which was served while donated prizes were raffled off.

At 4 pm, the District #9 Family Reunion celebration continued. In attendance were former dancers and past students of District 9 PRCUA Calumet Region Polish Dance and Language School. Thanks go to Debbie Zanon, who was visiting from California, for coordinating the Reunion. Also thanks to Konrad Grabowski, Jerry and Grace Biestk for presenting a video of past and present District 9 activities. Past National Director of District 9, Ted Pawlowski, who resides in Las Vegas, NV, provided accordion music as entertainment with Polish songs and melodies. Poprawiny was enjoyed by all, followed by a raffle.

District #9 would like to thank everyone who participated in this historic event. Your support has been our success. We love to carry on our Polish traditions, preserve our Polish heritage and support our youth.

Submitted by District #9 Supervisor Barbara Pawlowski
Highlights of the 73rd Annual PRCUA National Bowling Tournament

St. Stan’s Society #718 hosted the 73rd Annual PRCUA National Bowling Tournament. It was held on Friday, April 23, through Sunday, April 25, 2010, at Plaza Lanes, in Plymouth, MI.

The opening ceremony was held on Saturday at 1:00 p.m. Resident Vice-President, Anna Sokolowski, introduced the Officers and Directors of the PRCUA. Present were: President Wallace and Mrs. Joann Ozog; Resident Vice-President Anna Sokolowski and husband Mark; Vice-President Robert Bielenda and wife, Eleanor; Secretary-Treasurer Joyce Szarowicz and husband, Walter; District 2 Director Bill Nowakowski; District 5 Director Joan Sylak, and District 10 Director Barbara Toboy. Past Director Connie Bonin was also present.

Joe Ozog, Jr. of Society #1493 was awarded the “Joe Osianski Bowler of the Year” plaque and jacket. Congratulations, Joe! President Wallace Ozog threw out the ceremonial first ball to open the tournament.

Congratulations to the Officers and members of St. Stan’s Society #718 for hosting this annual event. Festivities included a great hospitality room on Thursday evening. Mass was celebrated by the Society Chaplain Fr. John Mikula on Saturday, then dancing to the music of “The Touch of Brass” was enjoyed by two hundred attendees until the midnight hour.

Congratulations to the winners of the PRCUA Handicap Tournament - Men’s team THUNDER of Wyandotte, MI and Women’s team TOLEDO VILLAGE GALS of Toledo, OH. Check the PRCUA website for the list of winners.

Members of the hosting committee were: Co-chairs Frank and Jerry Nasiatka; Jackpots chair Patrick Kosowski; 50/50 raffles chair Gary Hamilton; Hospitality chair Frank Nasiatka and Ad book committee Bob Bielenda, Ted Klamerus and Gary Ewald.

Thanks to John Kohler and his staff at Plaza Lanes. Thanks also to my sons, Paul and Joe, for handling the tournament in my absence. And as always, thank you to Resident Vice President Anna Sokolowski and her efficient secretary Mary Jane Robles.

Looking forward to seeing you all at next year’s tournament being hosted by PRCUA District 7, at Stardust Bowl in Addison, Illinois. (See additional photos on PRCUA website: www.prcua.org.)

“What does our 4th of July really celebrate?”

This July issue of Narod Polski comes out right as we, as a nation, will celebrate Independence Day, our national holiday, on the Fourth of July. How blessed and fortunate we are to be Americans and citizens of the United States! Yet, over time, many in our contemporary society have forgotten or are confused about so much regarding our fair Republic, the principals of its foundation, its past history, and therefore, how it should be in the present, too.

I take this opportunity to share with you below an article that is now yellowing in my file. I have used it on many a civic holiday as a basis for my reflections at Mass. In a very succinct way, it outlines for us what we should already know, yet, something, that sadly, seems absent from the consciousness of many of our contemporaries. It was written by Father Thomas McSweeney, the Director of the Christoper's, an organization hopefully known to many of you for their promotion of Christian values. Since I couldn’t say it any better myself, I put forth for your reflection some of Father McSweeney’s thoughts:

“Who do we get our rights of free speech? Where do we get freedom of conscience? From what authority do we claim the right to own property? What is the origin of our right of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness? The Declaration of Independence? Think again.

The Declaration of Independence states: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.”

Note the source: The Creator—God. The Declaration has been endorsed by men and women with rights and liberties. In other words, we are dependent on God! And that initial dependence is the foundation of our independence.

In these days when everyone talks of rights and few of duties, it is important for us to recall the Declaration of Independence is also a declaration of dependence on God, and dependence on law as derived from God.

Archbishop Fulton Sheen, a renowned Catholic presence on the American stage in the middle of the 20th century, said: “Democracy is based on the Divine Rights of Persons. Each person has a value because God made him, not because the State recognizes him.”

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“The day we adopt in our democracy the already widespread ideas of some American jurists that right and justice depend on convention and the spirit of the times, we shall write the death warrant of our independence. When we deny God as the foundation of our rights, we shall no longer have rights.”

Archbishop Sheen’s position squares perfectly with the Declaration’s author, Thomas Jefferson, who insisted: “The God who gave us life, gave us liberty. Can the liberties of a nation be secure when we have removed conviction that these liberties are the gift of God?”

In the rhetoric characteristic of Archbishop Sheen: “There is no such thing as saving democracy alone. Democracy is a branch, not a root. The root of democracy is the recognition of the value of a person as a creature of God. To save democracy alone is like saving the false teeth of a drowning man.”

“First save the man and you will save his teeth. First preserve belief in God as the source of rights and liberties and you will save democracy. But not vice versa.”

Many think God must serve democracy. It is time to affirm the contrary. Instead of judging religion by its attitude toward democracy, we should judge democracy by its attitude toward religion.

A Declaration of Independence, grounded in a radical dependence on God, demands a democracy obedient to a justice born of God and not of expediency, a democracy that gives equal protection to all, Citizens freed from injustices are free to serve God. Independence and freedom of press constitute the essence of democracy. They do not. They safeguard democracy. But George Washington said, “Reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principles.”

The Fourth of July is a terrific time to celebrate the connection of religious principles and our national ethic. And to be reminded that it is our shared dependence on God that breathes continued life into our Declaration of Independence.

By Fr. Eric Orzech, St. Bernadette Parish Westlake, Ohio

Res. V.P. Anna Sokolowski with Joseph Ozog, Jr. - recipient of the Joe Osianski Bowler of the Year award

Ed Kapanowski with Committee members (l-r) Ernie Pindzia, Patrick Kosowski and Dennis Churchvara

Joe Ozog Jr., Dir. Joan Sylak, Dir. Barbara Toboy, Dir. Bill Nowakowski, Pres. Wallace Ozog

(l-r) Paul Stemperkis, Joe Stemperkis, V.P. Anna Sokolowski and Mary Jane Robles

President Wallace Ozog officially opening the tournament by throwing the first ball

Secretary-Treasurer Joyce Szarowicz, Res. V.P. Anna Sokolowski and Supervisor Ted Klamerus

Jerry Nasiatka and Frank Nasiatka, Chairmen
POLISH CONSTITUTION DAY
A HUGE SUCCESS FOR OHIO PAC

The 62nd Annual Polish Constitution Day parade, and accompanying weekend events sponsored by the Ohio Division of the Polish American Congress, met with success far greater than anyone had anticipated. The Ohio Division of the PAC has been sponsoring a celebration in commemoration of the signing of the Polish Constitution of May 3rd, 1791 since the founding of the Ohio Division in 1949. The first parade was held in and around Rockefeller Park in the area of Cleveland known as University Circle. After many years, the parade was moved to downtown Cleveland, but eventually the number onlookers waned. In recent years the procession has been held in the Slavic Village neighborhood of Cleveland, but again, the crowd grew sparse over the years.

As the ethnic Polish population of greater Cleveland shifted, so did the parade. It followed the Polish people to their new centers of community life. And so, too, did the PAC celebration for Polish Constitution.

Parade shifted to suburbs - This year an overwhelming majority of the elected officers and directors of the Ohio PAC, as well as the Constitution Day Committee members, voted on two occasions to move the weekend festivities to Parma, a suburb of Cleveland, that now is home to many ethnic groups, not only to Poles. Parma had a great growth spurt following World War II, when returning servicemen found good jobs in the auto, steel and manufacturing industries. Poles bought good quality housing in Parma at reasonable prices. So the migration began, as upwardly mobile second-generations traveled to the suburbs. However, for many years, the Ohio PAC continued to hold its events in the “old neighborhood,” where many of the Polish organizations were still located.

But as time passed, more and more Poles moved from the old neighborhood to new digs in the “burbs.” And eventually, there were very few Poles living in Slavic Village. In fact, there are very few Polish businesses that remain in the old neighborhood.

Successful move - The time had come to move, and a brilliant move it was. Polish Constitution Day activities were eagerly welcomed with open arms by the city officials of Parma. In fact, Parma city officials provided much support for the new venue. Police, fire and safety forces, auxiliary police, engineering, communications, public relations departments, from the mayor’s office to traffic control - all pitched in to make the weekend events a huge success.

Indeed, this year’s PAC Parade was the biggest, longest and best parade in the United States Polka Association and from the Cleveland Polka Association, thanks to Helen Rae Budzilek and her team.

Miss Polonia - Ohio - The highlight of the evening was the crowning of Miss Polonia - Ohio, Lauren Lotze, from Youngstown. Runners-up were Monika Duda, Mary Ann Domzalski and Tara Bailey. The Ohio PAC contracted with Miss Polonia USA, Inc. to be the official sponsor in Ohio, which entitles Ohio’s Miss Polonia to compete in the Miss Polonia USA Pageant in New York in October. All contestants received a cash prize and Miss Polonia Ohio will receive a trip to New York City to compete in the Miss Polonia USA pageant.

Wreath laying - Activities on Sunday morning began bright and early, as veterans and PAC members caravanned to monuments dedicated to Casimer Pulaski and to Tadeusz Kosciusko to lay wreaths in commemoration of their service to America during the Revolutionary War. Next was a special mass at St. John Cantius Church in honor of the 3rd of May Constitution, followed by a delicious breakfast at Polish Veterans Post # 1, prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary. What a delicious and welcomed breakfast it was!

After-Party - The Parade’s After-Party was also a huge success. The hall was filled as parade participants and observers gathered for fun, laughter and merriment. Krakowiaki Polish Folk Circle entertained the crowd with festive, and avid Polka dancers gave themselves a much-deserved break.

Marchers from veterans, beauties, churches - Not only did the Polish Legion of American Veterans march in the parade, but also there were units from the Polish Veterans Alliance, Ukrainian American Veterans, Korean War Veterans, Viet Nam Veterans and many others.

There were beauties by the bevy, including Miss Polonia Ohio and runners-up, Miss Parma as well as Miss Junior Parma. Twirl Nation was there with 15 beautiful baton twirlers, all dressed in stunning costumes.

Marchers came from St. Mary Polish National Catholic Church and from Holy Trinity Orthodox Church to support Polish Constitution Day.

In addition, there were entries too numerous to mention from local businesses, clubs, organizations, social and civic agencies. Fortunately, the weather stayed dry, despite the impending forecast of severe thunderstorms. The parade marchers, and the thousands of onlookers who lined the 1.5-mile parade route were grateful for the dry and warm day.

Polish Happy Hour - But it was not only the parade that was a success; the entire slate of events for the weekend turned out to be very special. Friday evening there was Polish Happy Hour. Two groups of Polish revelers joined together for Polish spirits, food donated by the Little Polish Diner as well as Krakow Deli, and music provided by a Polish jam session, arranged by Aurenda Cika Heschmeyer, Director, Polish Youngstown.

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Grand Chairman of the entire weekend of activities was Francis Rutkowski, Past President of the PRCUA. Polish American Congress Ohio Division President is John Borkowski, and Mitchell Bienia, PRCUA National Director of District $5, was chair of the Polonia Ball Committee.

After 3 days of celebration, the event closed with all volunteers and committee members extremely weary, but very satisfied for organizing a successful weekend of events. A great “Thank You” is sent to all volunteers, who worked tirelessly to make this event a huge success.

By D-5 National Dir. Mitchell Bienia (Photos by Henryk Kacki)
TRZY KONKURSY SEJMOWE

Od lat jest tradycją, że w sejmowej ZPRKA ogłasza konkursy dla naszych członków. Od 2010 roku zrzucamy do wzięcia udziału. Na zwycięzców czekają wartościowe nagrody. Nazwiska zwycięzców ogłoszone zostaną w czasie Luncza Trzeciego w česnie 60. Sejmu ZPRKA.

KONKURS NA PŁYTWĘ DLA Dorosłych

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Przejazd autokarem na Sejm ZPRKA z Michigan i z Buffalo, NY

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BITwy POD GRUNWALDEM

15 lipca 1410 r. na polach pod Grunwaldem stoczona została jedna z największych (po względu liczby uczestników) bitew w historii średniowiecznej Europy, między siłami zakonu krzyżackiego, wzmocnionego przez rycerza zachodnioeuropejskiego, pod dowództwem wielkiego mistrza Ulricha von Jungingena, a połączonymi siłami polskimi, litewsko-ruskimi i mołdawskimi, w związaniu z ostatecznym załamaniem armii polsko-litewskiej. Wielki mistrz wysłał emisariuszy z dwoma mieczami, chcąc tym sprowenzioniasty rozpocząć bitwę. Wojsko królewskie zaepiewo tatarskimi, pod dowództwem króla Polski Władysława II Jagiełły.


Franciszek W. Sadowski. Pamiętnik Bitwy pod Grunwaldem w v. 1.

Ostatnia okazja do umieszczenia ogłoszenia

Uwaga kandydaci na stanowiska

w zarządzie i dyrekcji ZPRKA

Zarząd, dyrekcja i delegaci z Dystryktu #8 ZPRKA zapraszają do wzięcia udziału w Forum Kandydatów w niedzielę, 18 lipca 2010 r. o godz. 1 po południu w Parafii Pięciu Braci Męczenników 4327 South Richmond Street Chicago, Illinois w sali Bishop Abramowicz Hall

“Spotkajcie się z delegatami Dystryktu #8 na 60. Sejm ZPRKA”.
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- KOMISJA OBWODOWA nr 180 – Związek Podhalan w Ameryce Północnej: 4808 South Archer Avenue, Chicago, IL 60632;
- KOMISJA OBWODOWA nr 181 - Parafia Św. Moniki: 5135 North Mont Clare Avenue, Chicago, IL 60655;
- KOMISJA OBWODOWA nr 182– Parafia Św. Konstancji: 5843 West Strong Street, Chicago, IL 60630;
- KOMISJA OBWODOWA nr 183 – Parafia Św. Jacka: 3636 West Wolfram Street, Chicago, IL 60618;
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Światłoczuła informacja Państwowej Komisji Wyborczej w sprawie wzięcia udziału w ponownym głosowaniu jest dostępna na stronie: www.pkw.gov.pl

WYBORY PREZYDENCKIE
W POLSCE


Poniżej zamieszczamy wyniki procentowe jakie uzyskali poszczególni kandydaci: 41,54% Bronisław Komorowski, 36,46% Jarosław Kaczyński, 13,68% Grzegorz Napieralski, 2,48% Janusz Korwin-Mikke, 1,75% Waldemar Pawlak, 1,44% Andrzej Olechowski, 1,28% Andrzej Lepper, 1,06% Marek Ziętek, 0,18% Bogusław Ziętek, 0,13% Kornel Momańczyk.

Ze względu na różnice czasu między Polską a USA wybory odbyły się w USA już w sobotę, 19 czerwca. Polacy głosowali w kilku miejscach, po raz pierwszy w wyborach mogli wziąć udział Polacy mieszkający na Alasce (do urny poszło tam ponad 30 osób). W całych Stanach Zjednoczonych do udziału w wyborach zarejestrowało się ponad 33 tys. osób. W niektórych punktach wyborczych frekwencja przekraczała nawet 90%.


DZIEŃ FLAGI W ZPRKA

Chicago, IL - W poniedziałek, 14 czerwca, obchodziliśmy w biurze głównym Zjednoczenia Dzień Flagi. Ze względu na nadchodzące opady deszczu, uroczystość odbyła się w sali jadalnej w budynku.

Jak co roku, z tej okazji zarząd i dyrekcja ZPRKA przygotowywały dla pracowników ZPRKA i Muzeum Polskiego w Ameryce oraz emerytowanych pracowników Zjednoczenia lunch i krótki program.

W programie było złożenie przysięgi Fladze (Pledge of Allegiance), odczytanie informacji historycznych o fladze USA, odsiewanie hymnu amerykańskiego “Star Spangled Banner” oraz pieśni “God Bless America”.

Przed posiłkiem odmówiona została krótki modlitwa dziękczynna. Tradycyjnie już, na lunch przygotowane zostały różnego rodzaju kiełbaski pieczone na ruszcie przez “kucharzy” - czyli Boba Kowalskiego oraz za granicą i na polskich statkach morskich w okresie między dniem pierwszego głosowania a dniem pierwszego złożenia przysięgi.

Obiady przygotowane zostały w Chicago, Boston, Seattle, Denver, Phoenix, Houston, Florydzie oraz na Alasce. Do posiłków przyłączono sałatki oraz inne przysmaki. Na deser "kucharzy” – czyli Boba Kowalskiego, zebrał się różny rodzaj lodów dla miłośników lodów.

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Zdjęcia z uroczystości udostępnione są na stronie: www.zprka.com

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OBWIESZCZENIE
PAŃSTWOWEJ KOMISJI WYBORCZEJ
z dnia 21 czerwca 2010 r.

Państwowa Komisja Wyborcza informuje, że w wyborach Prezydenta Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej w ponownym głosowaniu w dniu 4 lipca 2010 r. kandydują:

1. KACZYŃSKI Jarosław Aleksander
2. KOMOROWSKI Bronisław Maria

Przewodniczący Państwowej Komisji Wyborczej (-) Stefan J. Jaworski
KANDYDACI NA STANOWISKA W ZARZĄDZIE I DYREKCJI ZPRKA

Chicago, IL - 8 sierpnia 2010 r. rozpoczynano obrady 60. Sejm ZPRKA. 1 czerwca minął termin nadawania podań od kandydatów na stanowiska w zarządzie i dyrekcji Zjednoczenia. Poniżej przedstawiamy nazwiska zatwierdzonych kandydatów:

**ZARZĄD:**
- **Prezes:** Joseph A. Drobot, Jr., Bloomfield Fields, MI
- **Wiceprezes:** Robert L. Bielenda, Redford, MI
- **Wiceprezes:** Paul Andrew Pawlowski, Glenwood, IL
- **Sekretarz/skarbnik:** Kenneth Peter Gill, Lake Zurich, IL

**DYREKCJA:**
- **Dystrykt #1 (dysrektor):** Marsha M. Mikuszewski, Adams, MA
- **Dystrykt #2 (dysrektor):** Gregory Blaise Olama, Buffalo, NY
- **Dystrykt #3 (2 dysrektory):** Edward F. Kaplanik, Johnstown, PA; Joan I. Zajac, Philadelphia, PA
- **Dystrykt #4 (dysrektor):** Richard Paul Turkiewicz, Winter Springs, FL
- **Dystrykt #5 (2 dysrektory):** Joan Carol Sylak, Toledo, OH; Joseph Anthony Lecznar, Seven Hills, OH
- **Dystrykt #6 (dysrektor):** Constance Louise Bonin, Athens, WI
- **Dystrykt #7 (2 dysrektory):** Krystyna J. Lech, Palos Park, IL; Joseph Anthony Lecznar, Madison Hts., WI
- **Dystrykt #8 (2 dysrektory):** Robert Joseph Bugielski, Chicago, IL; David H. Marutzky, Cleveland, OH
- **Dystrykt #9 (dysrektor):** Elizabeth Antonina Grabowski, Munster, IN
- **Dystrykt #10 (2 dysrektory):** Krystyna J. Lech, Palos Park, IL; Joseph Anthony Lecznar, Seven Hills, OH

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