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State of Illinois  
celebration of

**Pulaski  
Day**

**Monday, March 5, 2018  
10:00 a.m.**

Sabina P. Logisz Great Hall  
Polish Museum of America  
984 N. Milwaukee, Chicago, IL

Speeches by Political Leaders,  
Polish and Polish-American  
Dignitaries,  
Wreath Laying Ceremony

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## A Delegation from the Institute of National Remembrance Visited the PMA and PRCUA

Chicago, IL - A delegation from the Institute of National Remembrance (Instytut Pamięci Narodowej - IPN) visited the Polish Museum of America and the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America on Wednesday, January 17, 2018. They were accompanied by a group of teachers representing the Polish Teachers Association in America.

The main purpose of the IPN's visit to Chicago was to establish the *Przystanek Historia* (History Stop) program at the Polish Teachers Association in America, coinciding with the inauguration of Chicago's celebration of the 100th anniversary of Poland's independence. The goal of the *Przystanek Historia* program is to familiarize people with Poland's recent history through education.

The IPN delegation included: Dr. Jarosław Szarek - President of the Institute of National Remembrance; Dr. Piotr Artur Kardela - Director of the IPN Branch in Białystok; Adam Hlebowicz - Deputy Director of BEN IPN; Karol Madaj - Head of the Department of Historical Education; Rafał Pękała - Head of the Division of Multimedia Projects and Notation; Marzena Kruk - Director of the IPN Archives; Dr. Mariusz Żuławnik - Deputy Director of the IPN Archives.

The program of the IPN's visit to Chicago included historical workshops for students and teachers of Polish diasporas and meetings with leaders of Polish organizations, veterans, and scouts.

Guests were welcomed to the PRCUA by President Joseph A. Drobot, Jr., Vice President Micheline Jaminski and Secretary-Treasurer James Robaczewski, who briefly presented visitors with a history of the PRCUA and the Home Office building.



IPN delegation with Polonia's Polish teachers, PRCUA Officers, PMA Managing Director and PMA Historian

Next, they were given a tour of the Polish Museum of America by PMA President Richard Owsiany, Managing Director Małgorzata Kot, Archivist Halina Misterka, Librarian Iwona Bożek, Historian Jan Lorys, and Tour Guide Barbara Kożuchowska.

In the PMA Archives, the group viewed American Relief for Poland documents from the World War II, rare documents pertaining to the Polish National Committee, and Blue Army recruitment documents. The Blue Army was a Polish military contingent created in France during World War I composed of Polish volunteers serving alongside the allied forces. Twenty-four thousand volunteers, who were trained at the Nigara on the Lake Camp in Ontario, Canada, were sent to France. One of the recruitment posts was located in the PRCUA building.



IPN representatives viewing rare documents shown by the PMA Archivist Halina Misterka

After a tour of the Great Hall, Paderewski Room, and the Art Gallery, guests were invited to the PRCUA Board Room for refreshments. There, they had the opportunity to discuss the possibilities of cooperation between the IPN and the PMA. IPN President Dr. Jarosław Szarek thanked the PRCUA and PMA for the warm welcome and their continuous efforts in preserving the national treasures of Polish history and culture.

## 46th Cinderella and Prince Charming Ball



2018 Cinderella and Prince Charming  
Anna Tumiel and Xander Burd

2018 Runners-Up  
Joanna Burdzy and Bart Przytula

Chicago Ridge, IL - The Adult Culture Group held its Annual Cinderella and Prince Charming Ball at the Glendora House in Chicago Ridge, IL, on November 18, 2017. This year marked the elegant ball's 46th Anniversary. The candidates, their parents and honored guests all looked forward to the evening's events with great anticipation.

Danielle Kroplewski and Tom Frankowicz began the festivities by welcoming guests to the Ball. Then they introduced the PRCUA National Officers, as well as the Adult Culture Group Officers and members. His Excellency Most Reverend Bishop Andrew P. Wypych and General Consul of the Republic of Poland in Chicago Piotr Janicki also graced us with their presence at this very special event.

Ania Ray sang the Polish and U.S. National Anthems and the greetings were read by the 2017 Cinderella Kayla Leonhard and 2017 Prince Charming Kacper Kaczmarczyk. Brief remarks and congratulations were extended by Consul General Piotr Janicki, followed by the invocation by Most Rev. B. Andrew P. Wypych. A toast was proposed by Edward Muszalski, President of the Adult Culture Group.

After dinner, the program continued with a benediction by Rev. Robert Stuglik, Pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Parish. Mr. Muszalski presented bouquets of roses to the Choreographer Richard Jaminski and to VP Micheline Jaminski after which she shared her thoughts in Polish and English. Then the segment began where the 17 candidates were presented by their parents, with their resumes being read by the 2016 Cinderella Olivia Cislo and 2016 Prince Charming John Slubowski. As the candidates are individually presented with their parents, their school accomplishments are shared with the guests. Many candidates are honor roll students, active members of different sports, dance and school organizations. Candidates were proud to note in their biographies their affiliation with PRCUA dance groups and PRCUA Polish schools.

After all candidates were presented the young men and women performed a beautiful waltz choreographed by Richard Jaminski. Guests watched in amazement as the candidates glided across the floor, making intricate patterns with their movements in their white gowns and black tuxedos. The dancers were flawless and the choreography was breathtaking. The Adult Culture Group was very pleased to see that the candidates' grace, maturity, dedication, confidence and friendships - developed during the practices for the ball - were clearly evident throughout the evening.

The most anticipated moment of the ball was the drawing for the title of Cinderella and Prince Charming 2018. His Excellency Most Reverend Bishop Andrew P. Wypych blessed the crowns and the drawing of the winners was done by National PRCUA President Joseph Drobot Jr. who selected the Cinderella envelope, National PRCUA Vice President Micheline Jaminski who selected the Prince Charming envelope, and PRCUA District #8 National Directors James Rustik and Krystyna Lech, who drew the Cinderella Runner-



## FEBRUARY

**1 DEARBORN HTS., MI – SOC. #718 ST. STAN'S SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE** on Thurs., Feb. 1 at Randy's Bar & Grille, 25122 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn Hts., MI Drawing at 8:00 p.m. Complimentary Coney dogs.

**2 GROUNDHOG DAY | OFIAROWANIE PAŃSKIE MATKI BOSKIEJ GROMNICZNEJ (PL)**

**3 LEMONT, IL – PRCUA JOHN PAUL II POLISH SCHOOL DANCE**, on Sat., Feb. 3 at 6:30 p.m. at Crystal Grand Banquets, 12416 Archer Ave., Lemont, IL. Open bar, delicious dinner, sweet table. Music by Millennium Band. For information call: 773-520-3563.

**3 BRIDGEVIEW, IL – MARIA KONOPNICKA POLISH SCHOOL DANCE** on Sat., Feb. 3 at Paradise Elegant Banquets, 9220 Harlem Ave., Bridgeview, IL., Door opens at 6:30 p.m. Dinner at 7 p.m. Donation: \$80 per person; Additional information: 312-718-0169 or 708-691-4348.

**8 GRAND RAPIDS, MI – MALBORK DANCE GROUP PĄCZKI DAY** on Thurs., Feb. 8. For information contact: Jen Macek, Director, at 269-491-0028 or malborkdancegroup@gmail.com.

**10 STERLING HTS., MI – ZAJACZEK DANCE ENSEMBLE POLSKA ZABAWA** on Sat. Feb. 10 at 6 p.m. at American Polish Century Club, 33204 Maple Lane, Sterling Hts., MI. Tickets \$30. For additional information contact 586-770-7397. Details on pg. 9.

**10 MUNSTER, IN – ST. R. KALINOWSKI POLISH SCHOOL 50TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET** on Sat., Feb. 10 at the Carmelite Banquet Hall, 1628 Ridge Rd., Munster, IN. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.; program at 6:30 p.m. Information and reservations: Margaret Rolniak at 219-308-6474. Details on pg. 17.

**11 STERLING HTS., MI – ST. JOHN PAUL II SOC. #1593 EUCHRE TOURNAMENT** on Sun., Feb. 11 at 5 Star Lanes, 2666 Metro Pkwy., Sterling Hts., MI. Doors open 1:00 p.m.; games begin at 1:30 p.m. Contact: Barb Ozog at prcu1593@gmail.com or 586-453-3471. Details on pg. 16.

**12 CHICAGO, IL – PRCUA DISTRICT #7 BOARD MEETING** on Mon, Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m. at PRCUA Social Hall, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL. Contact: Mateusz Bomba, President at 773-782-2636 or mateusz-bomba@prcu.org.

**13 WYANDOTTE, MI – PĄCZKI DAY BUS TRIP TO HAMTRAMCK, MI** on Tues., Feb. 13. \$25 per person. First come, first serve, only 50 seats available. Sign-up sheet in the PRCUA Lounge, 1430 Oak St., Wyandotte, MI. Must be paid in advance. Contact: Mike Halberstadt at 734-216-3911.

**14 ASH WEDNESDAY - ST. VALENTINE'S DAY**

**18 ORLAND PARK, IL – PRCUA DISTRICT #8 MEETING** on Sun., Feb 18 at 12:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Woods Parish Hall, 10731 W. 131st, Orland Park, IL. Contact: Danielle Kroplewski at 312-718-0169.

**19 PRESIDENTS' DAY – PRCUA OFFICE CLOSED**

**21 LANSING, MI – WHITE EAGLE SOC. #2342 POTLUCK AND MEETING** on Wed., Feb. 21 (every third Wednesday of each month) from 5:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Federated Polish Home, 1030 W. Mt. Hope, Lansing, MI. Contact: Veronica Ulrich at 517-484-3311.

**24 SOUTHGATE, MI – 27TH PRCUA SHIRLEY ANN GALANTY MICHIGAN STATE BALL** on Sat., Feb 24 at Crystal Gardens, 16703 Fort St., Southgate, MI. Cocktails at 5:15 p.m.; Promenade at 6:00 p.m.; Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Contact: Maria Jalkiewicz at 586-979-5164. Details on pg. 16.

**27 WARREN, MI – ST. JOHN PAUL II SOC. #1593 MEETING** on Tues., Feb. 27 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Anne Jr. H. S. (Back Building), 36000 Mound Rd., Warren, MI. Contact: Joann Ozog at 586-751-8168.

## MARCH

**2 TOLEDO, OH – ECHOES OF POLAND PIEROGI DINNER** on Fri. March 2 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at PRCUA Hall, 5255 N. Detroit, Toledo, OH. Details on pg. 17.

**3 WESTLAND, MI – ST. STAN'S ONE GAME BOWLING KNOCK-OUT** on Sat., March 3 at Oak Lanes, 8540 Middlebelt Rd. Westland, MI (corner of Middlebelt Rd. and Joy Rd.) Registration at 11:15 a.m., games start at 12 noon. Dinner and open bar to follow at the Stitt VFW Post, 23850 Military Rd., Dearborn Hts., east of Telegraph Rd. and south of Warren Ave. Cost for bowlers - \$30, non-bowler - \$25. Contact: Ed and Janet Rys at 734-459-9517. Note: Ladies may start a little later.

**4 CHICAGO RIDGE – 43rd ADULT CULTURE GROUP FASHION SHOW** on Sun., March 4 at Glendora Banquets, 10225 S. Harlem Ave., Chicago, Ridge, IL. Details on pg. 4.

**5 CHICAGO, IL – PULASKI DAY CELEBRATION** on Mon., March 5 at 10:00 a.m. at the Sabina P. Logisz Great Hall, Polish Museum of America, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL. **PRCUA OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED.**

## 8 INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

**10 WYANDOTTE, MI – 84TH NATIONAL PRCUA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT HOSTED BY SOCIETY #162** on Sun., March 9-10 in Wyandotte, MI. Information: PRCUA Fraternal Department 773-782-2636. Details on pg. 16.

**10 WARREN, MI – ZAJACZEK 13th ANNUAL RECITAL** on Sat., March 10 at 2:30 p.m. at Warren Woods Auditorium, Warren, MI, 13400 E. 12 Mile Road, Warren, MI. Admission \$7.00. Details on pg. 17.

**11 WYANDOTTE, MI – SOC. #162 MEETING AND ST. PATRICK'S DAY CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER** on Sun., March 11th, at 1:30 till gone. PRCUA Soc. #162 Hall. Entry \$10.00. Come by for the membership meeting and enjoy some of the best corned beef you'll ever eat. Contact: prcu@wyan.org; mhalbers@wyan.org.

**11 DETROIT, MI – 16TH ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE POLISH AMERICAN DANCE ENSEMBLES** on Sun., March 11 at 11:15 a.m. at St. Hyacinth Church, 3151 Farnsworth, Detroit MI. The Mass will include a procession of the dancers, a special offertory of gifts, and the Blessing of the Dancers. For additional information or questions, contact: Joe Jaczkowski at events@sainthyacinth.com.

**17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

**18 CHICAGO, IL – PRCUA DISTRICT #7 CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER** on Sun., March 18 at PRCUA Social Hall, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL. Cocktails at 1 p.m., Dinner at 2 p.m. Details on pg. 4.

**19 ST. JOSEPH'S DAY**

**20 SPRING BEGINS**

**21 LANSING, MI – WHITE EAGLE SOC. #2342 POTLUCK AND MEETING** on Wed., March 21 (every third Wednesday of each month) from 5:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Federated Polish Home, 1030 W. Mt. Hope, Lansing, MI. Contact: Veronica Ulrich at 517-484-3311.

**23 TOLEDO, OH – ECHOES OF POLAND PIEROGI DOZEN SALE** on Fri., March 23 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the PRCUA Hall, 5255 N. Detroit, Toledo, OH. Details on pg. 17.

**24 GRAND RAPIDS, MI – MALBORK DANCE GROUP SPRING RECITAL** on Sat., March 24. For information contact: Jen Macek, Director, at 269-491-0028 or malborkdancegroup@gmail.com.

**25 PALM SUNDAY**

**27 WARREN, MI – ST. JOHN PAUL II SOC. #1593 MEETING** on Tues., March 27 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Anne Jr. H. S. (Back Building), 36000 Mound Rd., Warren, MI. Contact: Joann Ozog at 586-751-8168.

**29 HOLY THURSDAY**

**30 GOOD FRIDAY – PRCUA OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED.**

**31 HOLY SATURDAY**

### PRCUA St. Stanislaus Soc. #1004 Events

#### Monthly Polka Dance

Sponsored by the St. Louis Metro Polka Club. The 4th Sunday of every month except December, 2:30 till 6:00 p.m. at the Polish Hall, 826 Greenwood St., Madison, IL.

February 25 - Larry Haller's Two Star Final - Admission \$7  
March 25 - Button Box Club - Admission \$7

#### Friday Fish Fry & Tacos

Every Friday February 16 to April 20, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Friday Fish Fry & Tacos at Polish Hall (St. Stanislaus Soc. #1004) lower level, 826 Greenwood St., Madison, IL. Cod sandwich \$4, taco \$2. Shrimp, chicken strips, onion rings, fries, slaw, and drinks are also available. Kitchen will be closed on March 30th for Good Friday.

#### Polish Hall 101 Years Reunion Dance

Polish Hall 101 Years Reunion Dance on Sunday, April 29, 2018, from 1:00 until 6:00 p.m. at the Polish Hall, 826 Greenwood Street, Madison, IL. Admission \$2 - ages 12 & under free. Local favorite Dave Hylla & his Good Times Band will perform their signature Polkas, Waltzes, and Line Dances. Performances by other guest musicians as well. Reunite with your friends and celebrate 101 years of the Polish Hall. Drinks and Polish food available (cash only) ATM on-site. Outside beverages/food not allowed.

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7	\$18,413	\$21,332
8	\$17,819	\$20,649
9	\$17,243	\$19,987
10	\$16,683	\$19,346
15	\$14,214	\$16,469
20	\$12,264	\$14,058
25	\$10,572	\$11,994
30	\$9,099	\$10,232
35	\$7,793	\$8,735
40	\$6,664	\$7,469
45	\$5,711	\$6,387
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## Adult Culture Group

of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America  
extends a cordial invitation to you and your friends to attend the

## 43rd Annual Spring Fashion Show & Luncheon with Entertainment

Sunday, March 4, 2018

Entry: 11:00 a.m.

Luncheon 12:00 p.m.

Glendora Banquets

10225 S. Harlem Ave, Chicago Ridge, IL

Donation: \$35 - Adults,

\$20 Children to age 10

Proceeds from the Fashion Show go  
toward scholarships for next year's  
Cinderella - Prince Charming Ball  
Candidates.



Please support this fundraiser!

For additional information, please contact  
Liz or Walter Dynowski at (708) 532-1541  
[adultculturegroup@gmail.com](mailto:adultculturegroup@gmail.com)

## DISTRICT #7 CORNERED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER

Sunday, March 18, 2018

Cocktails at 1 p.m.

Dinner at 2 p.m.

PRCUA Social Hall

984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL

Cost: \$35

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(no tickets sold at the door)

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## 2018 PRCUA Calendar Available

The free 2018 PRCUA calendar is now available to our PRCUA members. Members can pick up the calendar at the Home Office, 984 N Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60642 or can order it by calling

the Marketing Dept. at 773-782-2632. Orders can also be placed by emailing the following: [marketing@prcua.org](mailto:marketing@prcua.org). The 2018 PRCUA calendar features famous Polish American athletes honored in the National Polish-American Sports Hall of Fame (NPASHF). These remarkable athletes are individuals who inspire others to achieve personal excellence. We hope you enjoy the 2018 calendar! Order while supplies last!



## From the Office of the Secretary-Treasurer

James J. Robaczewski, FIC, ALMI



We need the current addresses for the following members. If you know the address of anyone on this list, please send it to: James Robaczewski, Secretary-Treasurer, PRCUA, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60642-4101 or call 773-782-2600 Ext. 2605 or 1-800-772-8632 Ext. 2605.

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## BUDGET & GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE NOTICE

The PRCUA Budget and Grievance Committee has announced that any PRCUA member who has a complaint, suggestion or grievance should file it - in writing - with the Budget and Grievance Committee. It should be postmarked by May 30, 2018. The PRCUA Convention will only accept complaints, suggestions and grievances that have been officially filed with this Committee.

A meeting of the Budget and Grievance Committee will be held after receipt of responses from the membership.

*Patrick Kosowski, Chairperson*

Send your complaints, suggestions and/or grievances to:  
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### ATTENTION!

The Polish Roman Catholic Union of America is asking its members to provide PRCUA with their e-mail addresses in order to update members' database and form an efficient and earth-friendly way of communicating. To send your e-mail address fill out the form above. Provided information will be strictly used for business purposes.

**POLISH ROMAN CATHOLIC UNION  
OF AMERICA BOARD OF DIRECTORS'  
ACTION TAKEN AT THE PRCUA BOARD  
OF DIRECTORS MEETING,  
DECEMBER 1 AND 2, 2017**

To all members of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America, in anticipation of the 2018 Quadrennial Convention of the PRCUA to be held in August, 2018:

The members of the Board of Directors Corporate Governance Committee presented recommendations to the entire Board regarding additional qualifications beyond those identified in the Constitution, for candidates seeking the elected positions of President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer and National Director:

**For the elected positions of President, Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer, the Committee recommends:**

- Bachelor's degree required
- Post graduate degree preferred
- Minimum of five (5) years as a member of PRCUA and in good standing
- Minimum five (5) years of experience in financial planning, business administration and/or managerial/organizational leadership
- PRCUA Board Certification Training must be completed within six (6) months of installation into office
- Possession or completion of courses for ALMI (Associate Life Management Institute) designation within twenty four (24) months of installation into office.

**For the elected position of National Director:**

- Bachelor's degree or a minimum of four (4) years of demonstrated life experience or a minimum of five (5) years demonstrated experience in fraternal activities
- Minimum of five (5) years as a member of PRCUA and in good standing
- PRCUA Board certification training must be completed within six (6) months of installation into office
- Possession or completion of courses for ALMI (Associate Life Management Institute) designation within twenty-four (24) months of installation into office.

This recommendation of the Corporate Governance Committee was approved by the Board with notification to be made as soon as possible to PRCUA members.

In addition to the duties of elected positions as stated in the PRCUA Constitution, the Committee identified specific responsibilities that candidates for each office must consider:

**Responsibilities of the President:**

- Participates in the investing of funds of the organization
- Represents the PRCUA at national and local events
- Develops and implements the Business Plan
- Oversees Compliance, Investments, Human Resources and General Counsel.

**Responsibilities of the Vice President:**

- Oversees Sales, Marketing, Fraternal and Publications Departments
- Represents the PRCUA at national and local events.

**Responsibilities of the Secretary-Treasurer:**

- Oversees Information Technologies, Member Services, Risk Management, Auditing, Treasury, Underwriting, and Building and Property Management
- Represents the PRCUA at national and local events.

**Responsibilities of the National Director:**

- Required to participate in all scheduled Board meetings
- Monitors fiduciary activities of PRCUA and Executive Committee
- Main contact in resolving issues between Home Office and local Districts
- Actively promotes and/or organizes local organization functions
- Promotes and solicits membership
- Represents the organization in local and national events.

**NOTE: Board certification and all ALMI course costs are paid for by the PRCUA.**

If there is no qualified candidate for an Executive Officer or Board of Director position, the Board of Directors reserves the right to solicit and elect an individual for the position.

If an Officer or Director fails to pass the OLM, ALMI or Insurance Producer's license within the designated time, the Board of Directors will declare a vacancy.

**DELEGATE ELECTION MEETING INFORMATION NEEDED**

**BY MARCH 15, 2018**

**FOR NAROD POLSKI CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

According to the PRCUA Constitution and By-Laws, Societies must elect delegates and alternates to the 62nd PRCUA Quadrennial Convention during the months of April or May. Contact your Society's Financial Secretary for information about your Society's meeting, if it is not listed in the Calendar of Events.

All Financial Secretaries are urged to call Executive Editor Lidia Kowalewicz toll-free at 1-800-772-8632 Ext. 2639 or email the information to her at narod-polski@prcu.org before March 15, 2018 to have the Society's meeting listed in the April and/or May issue of the *Narod Polski* Calendar of Events.

**NOTICE TO SOCIETY OFFICERS ON  
CONVENTION REPRESENTATION**

The 62nd Quadrennial Convention of the PRCUA is quickly approaching. The Secretary-Treasurer reminds all officers of PRCUA Societies of a very important provision in the Constitution and By-Laws governing the representation of Societies at the Convention.

**Section Three, Article 03E, Delegates to the Convention, Paragraph 6**

"A Society delinquent to the UNION more than two (2) months in its assessments loses its rights to representation at the Convention."

The accounts of a majority of Societies are current, therefore this notice does not apply to them. However, any Society which is delinquent is encouraged to bring their accounts up-to-date immediately so that your Society will meet the qualifications of the Constitution for representation at the Convention, which is the most important gathering of our fraternal organization.

*James Robaczewski, FIC, ALMI, ACS, Secretary-Treasurer*

**PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE PRCUA  
CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS**

The Constitution Committee is accepting proposed changes to the PRCUA Constitution and By-Laws. Any PRCUA member, Society, Circuit or District in good standing has the right to propose changes to the PRCUA Constitution and By-Laws. These changes must be submitted IN WRITING to the Constitution Committee by June 1, 2018 for consideration. Please follow the format below when submitting proposed changes. The Committee will accept proposed changes until June 1, 2018. Thank you.

**Proposal to the Constitution Committee**

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Send proposed changes by **June 1, 2018** to:  
PRCUA Constitution Committee  
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**LEARN POLISH WORDS - Letter Ś**

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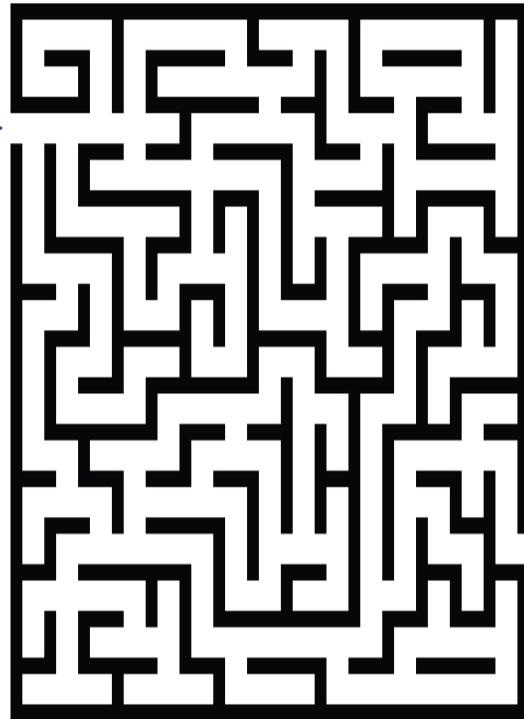
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**HAPPY ST. VALENTINE'S DAY!**

**PRESIDENTS' DAY MAZE**

Help Uncle Sam find the balloons for the Presidents' Day Parade.



**WINTER SPORTS CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

This is a zigzag word search puzzle. Words go left, right, up, down, but NOT diagonally, and can bend at a right angle. There are no unused letters in the grid, every letter is used only once.

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## 2018 Ryder Cup Bowling IX

St. Stan's #718 defeats Wyandotte #162

Wyandotte, MI - Saturday, January 13, 2018 was the date for the 9th annual PRCUA Ryder Cup Bowling match-up between St. Stan's Society #718 and Wyandotte Society #162. The event took place at Indian Lanes in Wyandotte, MI. The Ryder Cup series has continued to attract members since it began 9 years ago. This year it had 136 bowlers participating and over 180 people attending from the two societies (2nd largest attended since we started). The series is 5 to 4 in favor of St. Stan's #718.

The format was the same for all 3 games:

- Four-person teams on the team event.
- Alternate shot was 2-person teams, with each partner taking alternate shots, rotating leading off each frame.
- The individual game was a member vs. a member of the other society.
- All scores for all games were handicapped based on the person's average.
- All games were based on 1 point similar to the PGA Ryder Cup event.

It was another exciting match as #718 took a small lead in the first game (11-7), #162 kept it close in the second (behind 19-15), and in the end St. Stan's #718 topped Wyandotte #162 (29-22) for the victory. Afterward, everyone headed back to the Wyandotte #162 Hall, where over 160 people enjoyed beverages, food and music well into the night.

Special thanks to:

- Mike Halberstat for organizing the #162 members.
- Stan Pasko for producing the shirts.
- Randy Lanfair, Rita Nasiatka, Renee Szlag, Katelyn Mills for doing the 50/50 sales.
- Tom Hojnacki, Mark Hamilton, Ernie Pindzia, Stan Pasko, Max Hojnacki, Frank Nasiatka and Jason Cantrell for helping with scores.
- Max Hojnacki for the shirt design.
- Both Societies for participating.



*Awesome time!!!*



Submitted by: Bob Hojnack



*An Evening of Elegance*

**13th Annual Zajaczek Dance Ensemble Graduate Ball**



**Graduates and their escorts with PRCUA President Emeritus Wallace Ozog and his wife Joann, Dist. #10 Directors Colleen Bonkowski and Thomas Lisiecki, and Zajaczek instructors**



entertainment by Drew Gunther. To top off the celebration, guests enjoyed an extensive "candy table" which enabled everyone to literally "dance the night away!" Memories made, memories cherished.... Congratulations Zajaczek graduates! We are so proud of you!

Sterling Hts., MI - On Saturday, November 18, 2017 the Zajaczek Dance Ensemble from Sterling Heights, MI, proudly celebrated the accomplishments of the school's seven 2018 graduate students. The program was held at the American Polish Century Club, which is the proud host location for the dance group. The evening began with a warm welcome and introductions were made acknowledging both current and previous local and state dignitaries in attendance. The graduates and their escorts for the evening then gracefully performed the "Polonez," one of the five national dances of Poland. A toast was made and grace was offered before dinner. A delicious, multi-course meal was then served and enjoyed by all. After dinner, the graduates displayed their masterful Polka skills to entertain the audience by dancing to the "Sweet Pea Polka." At this point in the program, each graduate was individually introduced, along with their parents, and their resume was read by the school choreographers, Tricia (Zajac) Dennis, Rachael Kasperek and School Director Colleen Bonkowski.

To conclude the program, a Family Blessing was given, asking God to watch over our students and their families, and to continue to shower them with blessings for a future filled with much success. The students and their parents then graciously danced to "A Thousand Years Waltz" which marked the end of the "official program" for the evening. The dance floor was then opened up with the musical

entertainment by Drew Gunther. To top off the celebration, guests enjoyed an extensive "candy table" which enabled everyone to literally "dance the night away!" Memories made, memories cherished.... Congratulations Zajaczek graduates! We are so proud of you!

**REJOICE, CELEBRATE,  
BE MERRY!**

Sterling Hts., MI - Excitement lingered in the air as the Zajaczek Dance Ensemble families filled the banquet hall on December 16, 2017 for their annual Christmas party! Zajaczek dancers of all ages enjoyed a delicious breakfast which included pierogi and kielbasa, graciously served at the American Polish Century Club in Sterling Heights, MI. The tradition is for adults to wear an ugly Christmas sweater and, of course, a contest for the "ugliest!"

The morning began with the reenactment of the Nativity and the miracle of Jesus' birth. Dance Ensemble participants did a wonderful job demonstrating the true meaning of Christmas for all. Our 2018 Ensemble graduates narrated the story, as the older dancers assembled a choir to provide background Christmas carols. This singing was accompanied by fellow dancers playing in our own Zajaczek band! After the presentation, everyone gathered to welcome our North Pole visitor and tell him their special Christmas wishes! Everyone exchanged gifts, faces were painted by an on-site artist, awards were given for our PRCUA coloring contest winners, and lastly, the special prize of the day was given for the ugliest Christmas sweater! Memories created, shared, and cherished. Until next year, may everyone be healthy, safe, and happy in 2018!

*(More photos on pg. 11)*



**Graduates' Bios:**

**Abigail Ann Jaczkowski** is the daughter of Jeffrey and Renee Jaczkowski. She has done Polish dancing for 14 years. Abigail attends Chippewa Valley High School and is dual-enrolled at Macomb Community College. She will be graduating *Summa Cum Laude*. She also danced competitively at a dance studio for 7 years, where she is an assistance coach, and 1 year on her high school varsity dance team. She plans to go to Wayne State University to obtain a degree in Pre-medicine and to become an Oncologist in the future. She was escorted by fellow graduate Eric Manczyk.



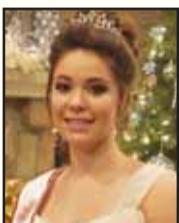
**Harley Anna Jones** is the daughter of Christopher and Michelle Jones. She has danced with Zajaczek for 5 years. Harley is a home-school student who is involved in many extracurricular activities. She has played for the homeschooling Summit Soccer Team and has been a member of the Civil Air Patrol unit of the United States Air Force Auxiliary for 5 years. In her free time she enjoys rock climbing, flying, traveling, baking, camping, and volunteering. Harley is a certified lifeguard. Her life plans are to join the Marines and become a pilot. She was escorted by Nick Yarbrough.



**Daniel Henry Koehler** is the son of David and Theresa Koehler. This is Danny's 14th year dancing with the Zajaczek Dance Ensemble. Danny is a captain of the football team and plays baseball in the springsplits. He is active with his home-school group and with Waterford's Our Lady of the Lakes High School. He is currently a Cadet with the Waterford Regional Fire Department. Last summer he attended the State Police Cadet program. Danny plans to become a policeman or a firefighter. Danny was escorted by fellow Zajaczek dancer, Mary Katherine Kozak.



**Mary Katherine Rose Kozak** is the 17-year-old daughter of Michael and Jennifer Kozak. Mary Katherine has done Polish dancing for 15 years. She is a senior at Regina High School where she is a member of the Varsity Swim team and played as a defensive tackle for the Regina Gators Powderpuff Football team. Mary Katherine participates in many clubs and is president of the National Honors Society. She enjoys volunteering her summers at the Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit. She plans to pursue a career in nursing and become a Pediatric Nurse Anesthetist.



**Eric Michael Manczyk** is the son of Michael & Jackie. Eric has danced for 5 years with Zajaczek Dance Ensemble & 8 years with Zamek Dance Group. Eric attends DeLaSalle Collegiate High School where he is Captain & a 4-year member of the cross country team. He is a member of the Drama Department, Stock Market Club, DECA, Science Olympiad & Marching, Jazz & Concert Band and is Trumpet Section leader. He is an Eagle Scout Candidate and has been an altar server for 8 years. He is planning to study Engineering. Eric was escorted by fellow graduate Abigail Jackowski.



**Kacy Marie Shaheen** is the daughter of Edmund and Helene Shaheen. This is Kacy's 15th year dancing with PRCUA. Kacy attends Novi High School where she has earned a varsity letter in track and field, cross country, and orchestra. She currently plays viola in Novi's top orchestra, was awarded Most Valuable Player by the orchestra director last year. Kacy is also part of the schools' Gay-Straight Alliance, and the student run group Unapologetically Progressive. Kacy plans to attend college, where she will study to become an English teacher. Her escort was fellow dancer Joseph Smigiel.





Submitted By: Karrie Westphal  
Secretary, Zajaczk Dance Ensemble

## PRCUA Tatry Dancers Christmas Party

Dearborn Hts., MI - Merry Christmas from The Tatry Dancers! As always, a beautiful Christmas party held at St. John the Baptist Hall in Dearborn Heights, MI on December 2, 2017.

Our director, Rose Ann Lackey, started off the party with a prayer and the breaking of the oplatek. Pizza, ham, salads, pastas, cookies, cupcakes and more were devoured by our dancers, parents and guests.

The children waited for Santa to appear by playing "old fashioned" games such as duck-duck-goose and telephone wire. It was fun to see even the teens get involved! One of the siblings of our dancers, Cody Pierzynowski, is a budding magician and wowed us all with his tricks!

Finally, after singing Christmas carols led by Karen Lubiarz, Santa finally arrived! He involved each and every dancer with his jovial banter while handing out the gifts.

Happy New Year!

Submitted by Gail Esker, Tatry Secretary



## Gwiazda Dancers Late December Happenings

Hamtramck, MI - While it might have been cold outside, members of the PRCUA Gwiazda Dancers hearts were warm as they took some time during their holiday dance break to spread some cheer and perform some service in the community.

On December 22, 2017, members of the PRCUA Gwiazda Dancers visited Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, MI to participate in Moon Beams for Sweet Dreams.

This is a program implemented by Beaumont Hospital. During the month of December, groups and members of the public were invited to say good night to patients in the pediatric cancer unit by standing on the Hospital's grounds and shining a flashlight into the patients' windows. The patients respond by standing at their own windows with flashlights and shined their lights in response to the groups assembled below.

On December 28, 2017, members of the PRCUA Gwiazda Dancers toured the Cass Community Social Services and participated in the Empty Bowls Detroit project. As part of their tour of Cass Community Social Services, the dancers made empty bowls which will be used to help feed metro-Detroit area homeless. Additional information about Empty Bowls Detroit can be found at [www.emptybowlsdetroit.com](http://www.emptybowlsdetroit.com).

On Monday, January 8, 2018, the dancers and their families returned to PLAV Post 10 in Hamtramck, MI as Gwiazda held its first practice for 2018. Gwiazda Dancers already have several performances lined up for 2018 and are busily preparing for its annual recital in the spring of 2018.

Submitted by Nicholas J. Nowakowski, Gwiazda Secretary & 1997 Alumnus



Gwiazda Dancers with their "empty bowls" at Cass Community Social Services

*Zajaczk Dance Ensemble is hosting*  
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## DAILY LIFE AT THE SPA – PART 3

Spa treatments in Poland are serious business. Most of the spas are descendants from the socialist healthcare system, which gives them one very important characteristic. They cater to the working man and woman, which make spas very affordable, providing amazing cost-effectiveness compared to costs in the USA.

Long gone are the buxom matrons who knead the flesh in deep tissue massages, as if they were preparing their Easter bread. Instead, there are smartly dressed, comely, young technicians, who bring Poland into the modern world of extremely attentive service. Not once was there an unkind word, or impatient response, from any employees of the spa while I was there.

The most modern, state-of-the-art equipment is used, including the very latest models of hydrotherapy beds, minus the TV monitors; technicians manage the settings.. Spas have been updated and renovated to keep abreast of current standards.

Many categories of accommodation are available at the Military Hospital, from shared standard double rooms with bathroom, to single rooms, to double rooms occupied by a single person, to deluxe rooms with private balcony in recently-built housing.

Since the Military Hospital is, indeed, a hospital, accommodations are hospital-like, and cannot be compared to a five-star hotel. Cleanliness is the operative word when it comes to housing at the Military Hospital. And all rooms are quite comfortable.

The new residential unit at the Military Hospital has extra-large double rooms that look like a basic hotel/motel room in the USA. Rather than having plush furnishings, the rooms have serviceable and durable amenities, with balconies, refrigerators and electric pots to make hot water for tea or instant coffee. Flat-screen TVs are in each room, but there is only one English-speaking news channel. Bathrooms have modern showers, hair dryers, and the towel racks are heated in winter. Housekeeping service is impeccable, with daily service by a smiling staff.

### MEALS

Three meals daily are included in the spa package. There are two sittings for meals, and the patient may select a preference among menu types, including: 1) standard, 2) vegetarian, 3) low calorie, 4) sugar-free, 5) lactose-free, or 6) for delicate digestion.

Seating is assigned in the dining room for a very important reason. Using a seating chart, servers set individual dishes at each place, according to the meal type selected by the patient. Breakfast and dinner are lighter meals, with the main meal served at lunch.

Breakfast is usually an individual plate of a few slices of smoked meat, e.g., either ham, turkey breast, or sausage, laid on a lettuce leaf, with tomato and thick cucumber slices, pat of butter, and, for the standard meal plan, jelly. A basket of bread sits on each table. Occasionally cheese, either yellow, cottage or farmers cheese, accompanies these staples. Frequently a hot cereal is also served. A hot beverage in a thermos jug is placed on each table, but individual preferences are not accommodated. If a person must have coffee every morning, it would be wise to bring instant coffee from home and prepare it in the room each morning, and throughout the day, if desired. Otherwise, drink what is served, be it tea, unsweetened cocoa, or coffee made from wheat.

Frequently a take-away snack is provided as a typical “second breakfast,” which could be a piece of fresh fruit, juice, or yogurt with muesli.

Dinner usually has the same basic arrangement of meat, tomato, cucumber or red bell pepper on individual plates, but a small, hot dish usually completes the meal. It could be a cup of chili, two small cabbage rolls, two small spinach crepes, a small stuffed zucchini, or a Polish specialty called bigos, which is hunter's stew. The thermos jug typically contains hot water, with tea bags and lemon slices arranged on a small plate.

Lunch is the big banquet of the day, starting with homemade soup, followed by the main course of meat, potato, and at least one hot vegetable, sometimes two. Meals are prepared on-site for each of the six types available. Every day there are two cold salads on each table, to which diners help themselves. Dessert is also determined by meal type;

with the standard menu is pastry, while the others might have fresh fruit for dessert, such as watermelon, half an orange, half a grapefruit, plum or apricot. The most often served beverage at lunch is compote, which is a drink made from fresh fruit, served at room temperature, usually with some of the fruit accompanying the drink. It is the original Kool-Aid, but made with all natural ingredients.

All meals have been surprisingly good, and very tasty. There is more than enough food served, so no one leaves the table hungry.

### EVENINGS AND WEEKENDS

If one comes to a Polish health spa for rest and relaxation, it certainly will not be during the day when treatments are scheduled nearly every hour. It is in the evenings that one gets to relax. The most common activity in the evenings and on weekends is strolling in the park, down the long, flower-lined promenade, with tall trees bowing together overhead, forming an arch for shade. While walking, it is quite common to stop for a treat at one of the numerous coffee shops, ice cream parlors, bistros or bakeries along the way.

Evening entertainment at the Military Hospital has its own outdoor venue, reminiscent of a *bacowka*, a shepherd's hut in the mountains. Seating is in a forest-like setting, under tall trees, with huge colorful umbrellas, sponsored by Polish breweries, topping each table, which line the perimeter of a wooden dance floor, and radiate outward. A live musician, and a vocalist or two, are accompanied by an electric sound system. The selection of music for dancing is eclectic Polish-contemporary, including numerous traditional folk melodies, prompting many sing-alongs among the crowd of multi-generational groups. Soft drinks, as well as adult drinks, are available for purchase at reasonable prices. The music wafts through the trees from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. each evening.

During inclement weather, and certainly in the winter, a “Coffee House” operates in the evenings in the newest pavilion at the Military Hospital. The atmosphere is quite pleasing, with mood lighting, white tablecloths and a bar with drinks available for purchase. Other venues in the spa region also offer music and dancing in the evening.

Cultural entertainment is arranged by the major spas in Busko Zdroj. Popular singers from by-gone eras perform at spa theaters. Groups are booked to perform on a regular schedule. In 2017 a Ukrainian folk dance group put on a rousing show. A female vocalist performed songs made famous by Anna German, popular in Poland in the 1960s and 70's. On a Sunday, at the outdoor band shell in the park, there was a crooner reminiscent of Roger Whittaker, most famous in the 1970s, with an eclectic mix of American folk music and popular tunes.

Entertainment at spas is geared to an older crowd, for, after all, it is the senior generation that seeks spa treatments. In addition there are poetry readings, informative talks, art exhibits, and flea markets scheduled on a regular basis.

Three tour companies offer excursions to the surrounding countryside on a rotating schedule. On Sundays, all-day excursions venture further afield from base camp, going as far as Krakow, or to the salt mine at Wieliczka, and the monastery of Jasna Gora in Czestochowa, which houses Poland's famous Black Madonna icon.

On weekdays, half-day afternoon excursions are planned to take in the nearby sites, cities and local attractions. For example, this writer took the tour to the city of Tarnow, (to be the topic of a future article) where an excellent guide gave the complete history of the city, including its architecture, war monuments, and local heroes. The only drawback for foreigners is that all programs are presented in the Polish language.

Another half-day excursion was to Tokarnia, about 12 miles from Kielce, the regional Capitol city. The Kielce Outdoor Village Museum, located in Tokarnia, is a reproduction of a typical settlement of the region where 38 historical structures have been transported from small towns, highlands, estates and farms, to create a 160 acre ethnographic park highlighting life in Poland in the 18th century. The premier exhibit is the wooden Church of Our Lady of Consolation, built over (continued on pg. 13)



Bristol Hotel with outdoor cafe on promenade



View from balcony



Conversations at sunset



Cafe in the woods



Room at the spa



Dining room at the spa



Busko Zdroj - strolling the promenade



Flower-lined promenade



## DEARLY DEPARTED

### PRCUA BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Member	Society	State	Member	Society	State
Balawender, Anne	78	IL	Murawski, Susan	337	IN
Bissonnette, Florence	1486	FL	Mylenek, Edward J.	718	MI
Blazek, Anna C.	347	IL	Mytnick, Donna	294	NJ
Borkowski, Robert V	227	OH	Nogalska, Izabella	2303	WI
Borowski, Tillie	980	MA	Okonski, Lelia K.	238	PA
Burke, Rita	1425	WI	Pepperted, Kazimiera	20	NJ
Byrdak, Walter	1031	IN	Pesanka, Peter L.	621	PA
Carey, Eileen	237	PA	Pietruszynski, Frances	2320	WI
Cegielski, Victoria	527	MD	Plocha, Leon	2009	PA
Fecko, Mary Jane	531	PA	Priebe-Ogata, Therese	31	IL
Fudala, Bernard J.	1268	NH	Romano, Barbara	186	IL
Gosiorowski, Frances	2109	OH	Rozpad, Helen	896	RI
Grabarek, Phyllis	463	CT	Rutkowski, Frances	527	MD
Gryn, Therese P.	2003	PA	Schultz, Alice M.	2320	WI
Jozwik, Mary	1000	IL	Schultz, Sophie	84	IL
Kaminski, Helen	3	PA	Scradler, Bronislawa	2109	OH
Kania, Valerie	3	FL	Shramawick, Donna	238	PA
Klubek, Wanda	385	NY	Sitarz, Irene	31	PA
Kolski, Gertrude	240	PA	Skibinski, Esther	1579	IL
Koss, Anna A.	186	IL	Sliwinski, Gordon	869	NY
Kowalski, Dorothy	2342	MI	Smolinski, George	227	SC
Kuras, Gary S.	817	AR	Snurkowski, Rose J.	463	CT
Mance, Martha	1004	IL	Steinberg, Genevieve	118	MI
Manning, Edward	2100	OH	Tirpak, Michael R.	471	IL
Mazurkiewicz, Gerald I.	1593	MI	Wleklinski, John	401	NY
Michalski, Frances	237	PA	Wozniak, Marguerite	2100	OH
Mills, Gladys L.	582	IL	Wrublowski, Mary	750	NY

*May they rest in eternal peace.*



Path through woods

200 years ago, in 1763 in the village of Rogow. Many other historical structures demonstrate the life and times of southeastern Poland during the 18th century.

**Pinczow** (population: 11,303) is a delightful little town that lies nine miles northwest of Busko Zdroj. The town contains ancient monuments, a river and a steep mountain (with a gorgeous view) that casts its shadow over the town at the very base of the mountain. The pulpit of the Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary is beautiful ebony with gold leaf carvings.

The oldest church in Busko Zdroj is St. Leonard, built in 1699. Sights in and around Busko Zdroj abound. Take a little time to explore the surroundings for a delightful summer.



Tarnow Town Hall



St. Leonard Church - 1699



Pulpit at church in Pinczow

*By Mitchell Bienia, National Director, District 5  
Edited by Dennis Cigany, LPT  
Photos by Mitchell Bienia*

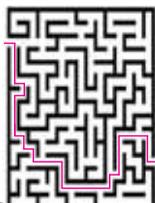
**ANSWERS TO THE PUZZLES ON PG. 6**

Learn Polish words: Letter Ś: 1. ŚWINIA, 2. ŚUBKA, 3. ŚLIMAK, 4. ŚNIEG, 5. ŚWIECZKA, 6. ŚLIWKA

Find 7 Differences:



Presidents Day Maze



Winter Sports Puzzle



*May They Rest in Eternal Peace*



**Stewart T. Kusper**, 53, died January 10, 2018 in Chicago. He was the son of the late Evelyn (nee Miekisiewicz) and Stanley (Lydia) Kusper, ormer husband of Renee (nee Szukala), father of Dan, Alex, Katie and Bill and a brother of Stephen and Stanley III and half-sister, Nicole.



Stewart's family has been active in the PRCUA for many years. His grandparents were lifelong members, and his grandfather Stanley Kusper, Sr. was a PRCUA General Counsel for over twenty-five years, his father Stanley T. Kusper Jr. was the founder of PRCUA Soc. #1475, participated in numerous PRCUA Conventions and served as Convention Chairman at the 1994 and 1998 Conventions. Stewart was a member of PRCUA Soc. #308 and served on the PRCUA Constitution and By-Laws Committee at the 57th PRCUA Convention in 1998, 58th Convention in 2002, and 61st Convention in 2014.

A Funeral Mass was held on January 13, 2018 at St. Mary of the Woods in Chicago, followed by interment at St. Adalbert Catholic Cemetery in Niles, IL. May he rest in eternal peace.



**Louise Yankovich**, 87, of Edison Park, IL passed away on Sunday, January 14, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Michael, she was the mother of Mary (Norm) Yankovich-Ahlgren, Kasha Yankovich, Anne (Joseph) Rhoades and Louise (Patrick) Wozniak; grandmother of Katie, Gus, Jason, Bridget, Emily, Angela, Valerie, Jackson and Michael; great grandmother of Adilynn; sister of Florian (Trudy) Roman; and an aunt of many nieces and nephews.

Louise was a member of PRCUA Societies #988 and #475. Her Funeral Mass was held on January 19 at Saint Paul of the Cross Church in Park Ridge, IL, followed by an interment at Saint Adalbert Cemetery in Niles, IL. May she be abundantly blessed.

**Geraldine A Kowalski**, 83, of Forest Park, IL passed away on January 16, 2018. Geraldine was the mother of Robert J. (Leisa) Kowalski and Christine A. (the late Dennis) Rosselli; grandmother of Todd Rosselli, Adam and Matthew Kowalski.



She was active in many fraternal women clubs, including the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge and the Polish Museum of America. She was a past President of the IL/IN PRCUA Women's Division. She belonged to PRCUA Societies #1147, #265 and #1559 where she was Financial Secretary and past President of Soc. #265. Geri was the Top PRCUA Producer for 3 consecutive years and was the first PRCUA deputy to earn the status of Fraternal Insurance Counselor (FIC). She worked at the PRCUA Home Office for over 25 years as an Underwriter, retiring on March 1, 1999.

Funeral services were held on January 26 at the Woodlawn Funeral Home, followed by burial in St. Adalbert's Cemetery in Niles, IL. May Geraldine Kowalski be blessed a hundredfold for all the good she did for others and be long remembered for all she did over many decades to advance the PRCUA.

*Please remember all these dearly departed members and their families in your prayers.*

Polish Roman Catholic Union of America

extends sincere condolences to

Mr. Mark Sokolowski,

PRCUA VP Emeritus Anna Sokolowski

and the entire Sokolowski family on the death of

**Regina (Chytrowska) Sokolowski**

who passed away on January 22, 2018.

*May God grant her eternal life.*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow.

## 46th CINDERELLA & PR



**Piotr Janicki, Consul General of the Republic of Poland in Chicago**

Up and Prince Charming Runner-Up envelopes. (Cont. on pg. 12.)  
(Continued from pg. 1) The 2018 Runner-Up for the PRCUA Cinderella is Joanna Burdzy and Runner-Up for the Prince Charming is Bart Przytula. The 2018 PRCUA Cinderella is Anna Tumiel and the 2018 Prince Charming is Xander Burd. Congratulations to the winners!

Cinderella and Prince Charming, the Runners-Up, and all of the candidates received scholarships from the Adult Culture Group, with the royal couple receiving the largest scholarships. Funds for these scholarships are provided from the money raised by the group's Annual Ball and Annual Fashion Show. Cinderella and Prince Charming also have the honor of representing the Adult Culture Group and PRCUA at various Polish American events throughout the city, culminating in their passing on their crowns at next year's Ball.

The official program concluded with the promenade of the 2018 Cinderella and Prince Charming and with the candidates dancing a waltz with their parents. Thank you to everyone who played a part in making the ball an elegant and enjoyable experience for all.

The ball would not be possible without the support of the Adult Culture Group: Edward Muszalski - President, John Frankowicz - Vice President; Liz Dynowski - Secretary, and Walter Dynowski - Treasurer; Committee Chairs: Candidates - Gabby Zuk, Danuta Stypula and Krystyna Lech; Invitations - Vickie Kroplewski and Jolanta Stanek; Program Book - Monika Pazdiora and Lidia Kowalewicz; and the following dedicated committee members: Mary Brzezniak, Diana Cortesi, Stan Dron and Angela Muszalski.

Congratulations are extended to all the candidates, for each of them participated in a wonderful tradition, and, as President Drobot said: "Tonight they are all Cinderellas and Prince Charmings." For 46 years, we have honored the vision of the founder of the ball, Regina Ocwieja, Past PRCUA Vice President. Mrs. Ocwieja's dream of promoting the Polish American heritage of today's youth lives on through the dedication of everyone who made the 46th Anniversary of the Cinderella and Prince Charming Ball an exquisite night to remember.

We look forward to everyone supporting the history, traditions, and memories during the 47th Cinderella and Prince Charming Anniversary Ball on November 17, 2018.

One of the greatest ways to honor our Polish American heritage is to continue to support the traditions and events of the PRCUA that were part of our lives. The Cinderella and Prince Charming Ball has seen generations participate in this beautiful event. It warms the heart of the Adult Culture Group to sit in the audience and see adults, who attended PRCUA Polish Dance and Language Schools, encourage their children to do the same. This was evident in the number of alumni who participated in the time honored tradition of the Cinderella and Prince Charming Ball with their children and grandchildren.

Please save the date for the annual Fashion Show: March 4, 2018 at the Glendora House in Chicago Ridge, IL. This year's Fashion Show will be celebrating its 43rd Anniversary and we are always looking for former candidates, Cinderellas and Prince Charmings to support this fundraising event for future Cinderella and Prince Charming candidates. Please contact the Fashion Show Chairperson, Liz Dynowski at 708- 846-2004 if you are interested in volunteering for this event.

### 2018 Candidates

**Joanna Burdzy**, 16, of Chicago, IL is the daughter of Elzbieta and Marek Burdzy. She is a freshman at Lincoln Park High School in Chicago where she is in the IB Program. Joanna is a member of the volleyball team and the school band. Joanna is in her final year at the St. Blaze Polish Language School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 9 years and is currently a member of the Wesoły Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Joanna is a member of PRCUA Society #1634.

**Katarzyna Burdzy**, 14, of Chicago, IL is the daughter of Elzbieta and Marek Burdzy. She is a freshman at Lincoln Park High School in Chicago where she is in the IB Program. Katarzyna is a member of the volleyball team and the school band. She is in her final year at the St. Blaze Polish Language School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 9 years, and is currently a member of the Wesoły Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Katarzyna is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.

**Alexandria Elizabeth Cislo**, 15, of Lockport, IL is the daughter of Elizabeth and Myron Cislo. She is a sophomore at Lockport Township High School in Lockport where she is in the National Honor Society. Both of her parents are past candidates. Alexandria is a member of the Attak Volleyball Club. She is a graduate of the John Paul II Polish Language School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing, as well as the Polanie Dancers of John Paul II Polish School for seven years. Alexandria is currently a member of the Wesoły Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Alexandria is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1622.

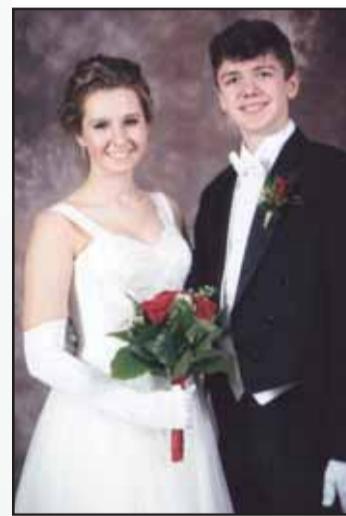
**Carolina Bridget Kukulski**, 18, of Oak Lawn, IL is the daughter of Jadwiga and Grzegorz Kukulski. She is a senior at Oak Lawn Community High School in Oak Lawn where she is on the high honor roll. Carolina enjoys dancing, horseback riding and playing soccer. She is a graduate of the Stanislaw Cholewinski Polish Language High School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 5 years and is a member of the Wesoły Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Carolina is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.

**Izabella Pikul**, 14, of Homer Glen, IL is the daughter of Grazyna and Mark Pikul. She is a freshman at Lockport Township High School in Lockport where she is in the National Honor Society. Izabella is currently in her final year of the King Kazimer the Great Polish Language School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 12 years and is currently a member of the Wesoły Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Izabella is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1622.

**Olivia Duda**, 15, of Bridgeview, IL is the daughter of Jolanta and Pawel Duda. She is a freshman at Oak Lawn High School where she is on the high honor roll and has received the President's Award. Olivia is a part of NHS, Art Club, International Club, and the Science Club. She enjoys playing the piano, reading books, studying animals, listening to music, and volunteering at a Children's Farm Zoo. She is currently in her first year at the Maria Konopnicka Polish Language High School. Olivia is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.



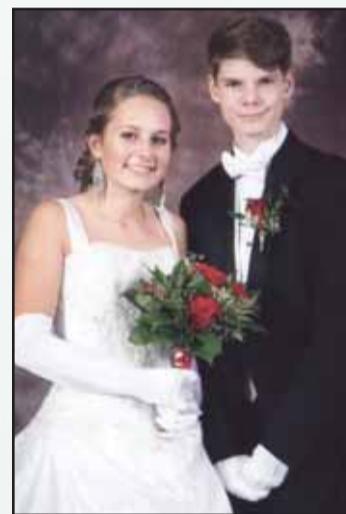
Candidates, 2018 Cinderella Anna Tumiel and Prince Charming Xander Burd, Bishop Andrew Wypych, PRCUA President Joseph A. Drobot, Jr. and PRCUA Directors: Kevin Kucik (D-7), Krystyna Lech and James Rustik Kayla Leonhard and



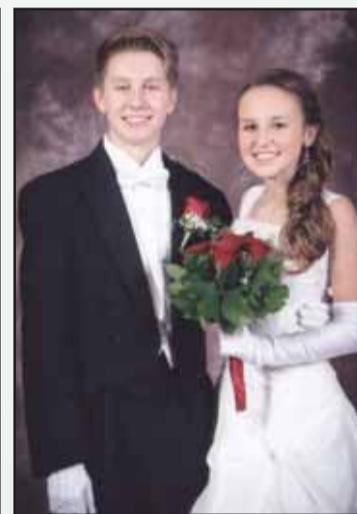
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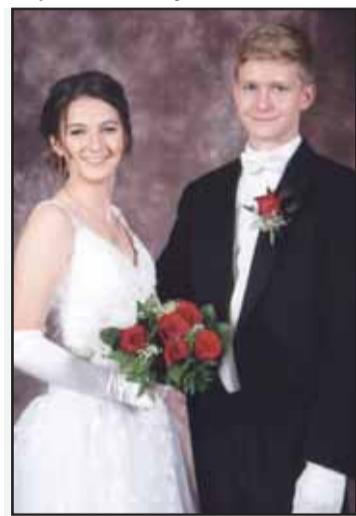
Victoria Bielanski, Eric Wildhirt, Katarzyna Burdzy

**Sabina Maria Slubowski**, 15, of Burbank, IL is the daughter of Elzbieta and Zbigniew Slubowski. She is a sophomore at St. Laurence High School in Burbank where she is on the high honor roll. Sabina is a member of the cross country team, track team and the competitive dance team. She enjoys the Poms team at her high school, running and playing

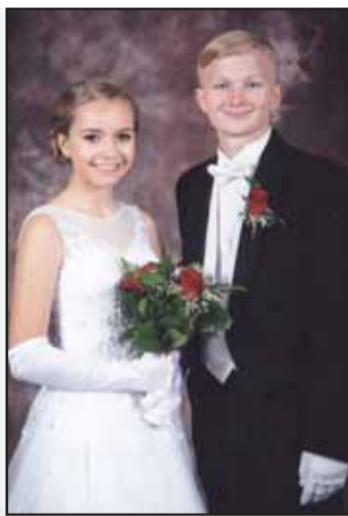
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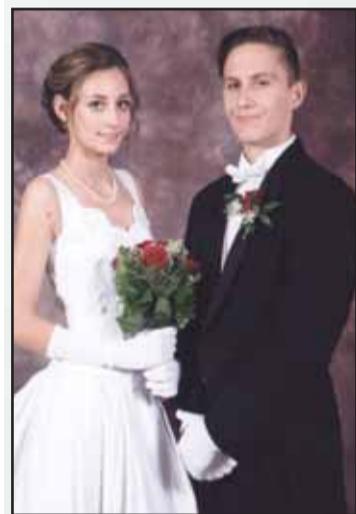
Xander Burd, 2018 Runners-Up Joanna Burdzy and Bart Przytula with his wife, Judith, V.P. Micheline Jaminski and her husband, Richard, (D-8), Elizabeth Sadus (D-9), and 2017 Cinderella and Prince Charming Kacper Kaczmarczyk



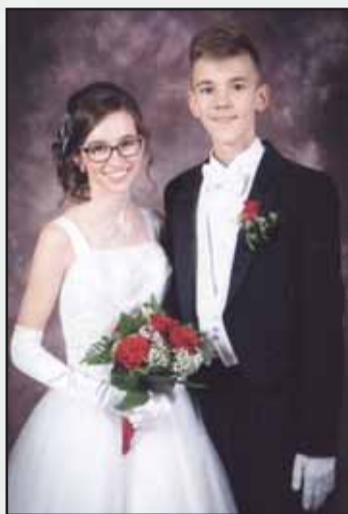
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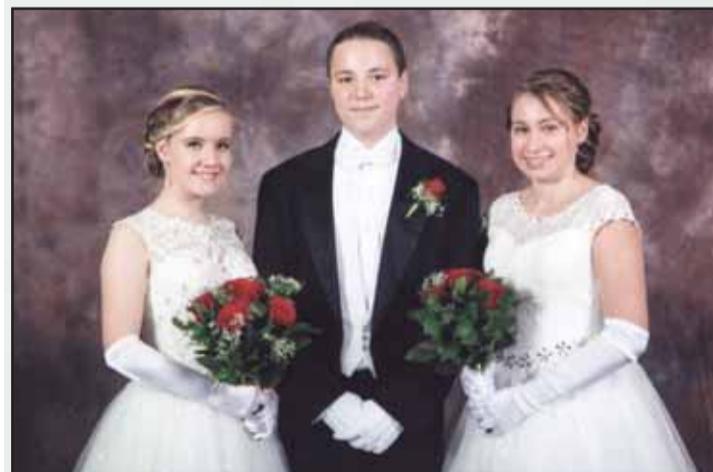
Izabela Pikul & Bart Przytula



Olivia Witek & John Slubowski



Joanna Burdzy & Oscar Witek



Anna Tumiel, Kevin Wildhirt, Olivia Duda

**Joanna Staron**, 15, of Chicago, IL is the daughter of Marzena and Ryszard Staron. She is a sophomore at Nazareth Academy in LaGrange Park where she is on the honor roll. Joanna is a member of the lacrosse team, cross country team, Nset, and Youth Initiative. Joanna is currently in her third year at the Maria Konopnicka Polish Language High School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 12 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Joanna is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.

**Katarzyna Staron**, 17, of Chicago, IL is the daughter of Marzena and Ryszard Staron. She is a senior at Nazareth Academy in LaGrange Park where she is on the high honor roll. Katarzyna is a member of the lacrosse team, cross country team, Model UN, roadrunner club. Katarzyna is a graduate of the Maria Konopnicka Polish Language High School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 11 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Katarzyna is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.

**Anna Tumiel**, 14, of Burbank, IL is the daughter of Beata and Krzysztof Tumiel. She is a freshman at Reavis High School in Burbank. Anna is a member of the cross country team, track team and the dance team. She has previously won awards for her artistic abilities. Anna enjoys running, dancing and singing. She is currently a freshman at the Maria Konopnicka Polish Language High School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 11 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Anna is a member of PRCUA Society #1634.

**Olivia Witek**, 14, of Lemont, IL is the daughter of Agnieszka and Mariusz Witek. She is a freshman at Lemont High School where she is on the high honor roll. Olivia is a member of the volleyball team and is on Student Council. She is currently in her second year at the John Paul II Polish Language High School. She was a member of the Polanie Dancers of John Paul II Polish School for 10 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Olivia is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1605.

**Eryk Bielanski**, 14 of Romeoville, IL is the son of Katarzyna and Adam Bielanski. He is a freshman at Plainfield East High School in Plainfield where he is on the high honor roll. Eryk is currently in his first year at the John Paul II Polish Language High School. He was a member of the Polanie Dancers of John Paul II Polish School for 7 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Eryk is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1637.

**Xander Burd**, 14, of Chicago, IL is the son of Christine and Tim Burd. He is a freshman at Lane Technical College Prep High School. Xander's mother was a candidate. Xander is a graduate of the Lane Tech Academic Center. He is a member of the robotics club, enjoys writing and producing electronic music, and creating digital 3D renderings and animation. Xander had attended the Holy Trinity Polish Language School. He is currently a member of the Lajkonik Song and Dance Ensemble of the PNA. Xander is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1622.

**Anthony Plewa**, 14, of Burbank, IL is the son of Jolanta and Stanislaw Plewa. He is a freshman at Reavis High School in Burbank where he is on the honor roll. Anthony is in his final year at the Adam Mickiewicz Polish Language School. He was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 11 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Anthony is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.

**Bart Przytula**, 14, of Palos Park, IL is the son of Agnieszka and Marek Przytula. He is a freshman at Amos Alonzo Stagg High School in Palos Hills. Bart is a member of the school band, enjoys playing soccer, and fishing. He was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 5 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Bart is a member of Soc. #1634.

**Lucas Skowrya**, 15, of Hickory Hills, IL is the son of Nathalie and Ricky Skowrya. He is a sophomore at Amos Alonzo Stagg High School in Palos Hills where he won the Louis Armstrong Musician Award. His parents are past candidates (mother - Cinderella 1988.) Lucas is a member of the tennis team, golf team, fishing club and the symphonic band at his high school. He is a graduate of the Maria Konopnicka Polish Language School. He was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 6 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Lucas is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1622.

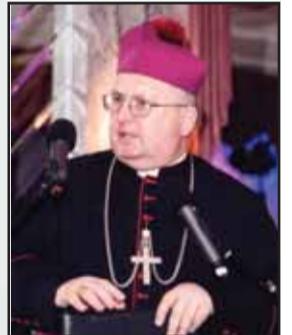
**Oscar Witek**, 14, of Lemont, IL is the son of Agnieszka and Mariusz Witek. He is currently a freshman at Lemont High School where he is on the high honor roll. Oscar is a member of the Lemont Indians Soccer Team. He enjoys collecting basketball cards and Polish dancing. Oscar is currently in his second year at the John Paul II Polish Language High School. He was a member of the Polanie Dancers of John Paul II Polish School for 10 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Oscar is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1605.

It is with much appreciation that we recognize the young woman and four young men who served as dance partners and escorts for some of the candidates at the ball and for their dedication to learning the intricate waltzes: Victoria Bielanski, Aleksander Sacinski, Kevin Wildhirt, Eric Wildhirt and John Slubowski. The Adult Culture Group is very proud of you - and all the candidates - for a job well done.

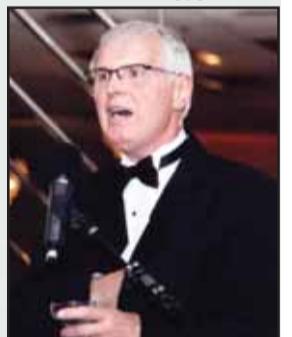
The PRCUA congratulates all of the candidates in the 46th Anniversary Ball, and their parents, for honoring, observing and preserving this special rite of passage of presenting our youth to society in an elegant manner as was done in Polish high society in past centuries.



Masters of Ceremonies  
Thomas Frankowicz and  
Danielle Kroplewski



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Andrew P. Wypych



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**Entries must be received by Friday, March 23, 2018**

The 81st National PRCUA Bowling Tournament will be held on April 13, 14, and 15. The Tournament will be held at the **Imperial Lanes**, 44650 Garfield Rd., Clinton Township, MI and is being hosted by PRCUA Saint John Paul II Society #1593.

Once again we are excited to announce that since we have a bowling facility with enough lanes to accommodate our entire group, we are going to have only one squad bowl on each day. This means that we will not have a morning squad on Friday (singles and doubles) or Saturday (team). We will still have a morning squad on Sunday (singles and doubles) for those who cannot bowl on Friday. This exciting change will allow more of us to bowl at the same time!

Squad times are as follows:

- Singles/Doubles – Friday, April 13 at 11:00 AM
- Team Event – Saturday, April 14 at 11:00 AM (Opening ceremony at 10:30 AM)
- Singles/Doubles – Sunday, April 15 at 9:00 AM

To secure your entry (and preferred squad day for singles and doubles), be sure to send in your completed entry form promptly, along with the appropriate entry fees (\$25 per person per event) by the deadline. Please be sure to fill in all of the information on the entry form, including averages. The deadline for submitting your entry is **Friday, March 23, 2018**.

The La Quinta Inn & Suites in Utica, MI will be the host hotel for the Tournament. To reserve a room, call the number listed below and ask for **group rate #10491091**. **LA QUINTA INN & SUITES**, 45311 Park Ave., Utica, MI. Tel. (586) 731-4700 or (866) 527-1498. **Room Rate:** \$85.50, must be booked before 3/23/18 and is subject to availability.

In addition to the bowling activities, our friends at PRCUA Society #1593 have been busy planning a fun and exciting event for us all. Valerie Brumm, Barb Ozog, and Celeste Grabowski, along with their team, are going to host the following:

**HOSPITALITY:** A gathering will be held at the host hotel (La Quinta) from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. on Thursday April 12th. Food and soft drinks will be provided.

**CELEBRATION OF THE MASS:** A list of local churches and Mass times will be provided at the Tournament.

**AWARDS CEREMONY:** The awards ceremony will be held after the completion of the team event on Saturday at Dave & Buster's from 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. A buffet and soft drinks will be provided.

**EARLY BIRD RAFFLE:** PRCUA Society #1593 is also adding their own incentive to get folks to get their entry forms in early. **The EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION will give entrants who get their fully-completed entry forms and fees in by the below cutoffs FREE entries into a prize raffle.**

- Complete the entry form and send it along with fees by February 28th to receive FIVE FREE RAFFLE TICKETS
- Complete the entry form and send it along with fees between March 1st-12th - to receive ONE FREE RAFFLE TICKET
- Entry forms postmarked after March 12th - NO FREE RAFFLE TICKET

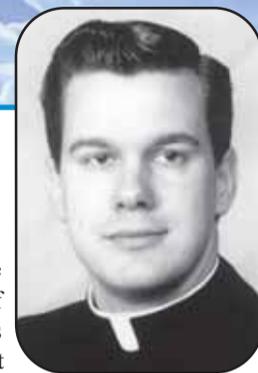
**NEW JACKPOTS:** For the not-so-serious bowler who still wants a chance to win some extra cash this year, we are introducing three new jackpots.

- **Make Your Average** is just that. Bowl your average and wait for your name to get randomly selected to collect some cold hard cash. Don't make your average? Don't worry. Check out the next jackpot.
- **Lucky Lane** means you just show up and bowl to be eligible. Get randomly picked for money if your lane number and bowler position is called (i.e. Lane #30 bowler #3).
- **Box Mystery** is just like boxing your lotto numbers. Three numbers will get randomly selected. If your bowling score is any combination of those three numbers you win! (i.e. 1-2-5 means bowlers with a 125, 152, 215 or 251 could win).

Please mark your calendars and send in your completed entry forms along with the appropriate entry fees in time to get entered into that free raffle! Also, make your hotel reservations and prepare to have a great time at the Tournament in the Detroit area! Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

Patrick Kosowski, PRCUA National Bowling Tournament Director

## Higher Perspectives



### "LENT IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER"

Since ringing-in the New Year, time just seems to have gone by so fast. I don't know about you, but I find myself behind already in 2018! Given this, while it's still two weeks away, before you know it Lent will be upon us and we don't want to be caught off-guard lest the positive benefits it has to offer go unused.

Now, of course, with two weeks to go, there is still a little celebrating to do! After all, who wants to pass up Mardi Gras, Paczki Day, and for us Poles, TŁUSTY CZWARTEK! But, inevitably, we'll awake on the morning of February 14th to find out that, this year, it's sadly not St. Valentine's Day. It also won't be the important Feast of SS. Cyril and Methodius - the Apostles to the Slavs - which has been the liturgical celebration at Mass on this day for some years. Instead, it will be ASH WEDNESDAY, a day of fasting and abstinence, marking the beginning of the forty-day season of Lenten penance and preparation for Easter.



I hope everyone will make an effort to attend Mass and receive ashes on Ash Wednesday. In a real sense, this is the one day out of the whole year when we get a chance to publicly show our faith to the whole world - and to everyone we see at work, in school, out and about, and at home, too. Leaving Mass we publicly wear, not just a sign reminding us of penance and mortification, but that [ + ] of ashes on our forehead should be a proud proclamation of the faith which is an integral part of our lives. Would anyone be surprised to see that cross of ashes on our forehead? Why? Would being consciously aware of its presence there change any words or deeds of ours during the day? Why? Will the life we live that day - and every other day, for that matter - be consistent with that cross on our foreheads?

Much is heard these days about moving away from the former "rigors" of Lent - fasting, giving things up, doing penance, etc. - to embracing a so-called, "positive" approach of instead "doing more" along the lines of good deeds, etc. While it can all sound well and good, there are pitfalls to embracing such an either/or approach.

The first and most obvious one is simply "how". The number one reason why people say they don't do more or get involved with more of what they would like is that they just don't have the time. Why aren't the meetings of our Polish organizations always jammed? Why isn't there a waiting list to volunteer for things? Is it because nobody cares? Or, perhaps despite what they wish they could do, many people just can't find a way to make it happen, can't find the time, can't prioritize properly...

The second, and most convincing reason is that, especially in this case, it really isn't an either/or but rather a both/and. In other words, because we are so busy, so preoccupied, and so loaded down with the stuff of life, this is precisely why we need Lent every year to work its "magic" in our lives.

Haven't been praying enough or effectively lately? Well, how about "fasting" from an hour of regular TV time every week and making that your prayer time. Just wait and see what happens after forty days! Haven't had a chance to reach-out to some people in your life that you should? Have conversations or visits dropped-off? Well, how about "giving-up" an hour of wasted time on the computer every week and see what wonders that time spent with and for others will do for you - and them! Realize that your charitable outreach is in a rut, falling-off, or non-existent? Well, pick one day a week as a true "fast and abstinence" day...one full but simple meal, no snacks or junk food. Make note of the money you save as either an individual or a family - and you will - and put it aside. After the six weeks of Lent, you will find a more sizable sum than you could ever imagine. See that this money gets someplace where it will do some good. For instance, many of our social agencies with their buying power and network can get a meal to someone for as little as \$1. Try to tell such a would-be beneficiary that such a small amount wouldn't make a difference and wasn't worth your effort...

Lent, as always, is a wonderful opportunity to take an assessment of our lives. See what is good and find a way to build that up and strengthen it. But, honestly, try to see what is lacking, pulling you down, hindering you or preventing your best self from coming forward. Then use the above method to take some simple, practical, and reasonable steps to change for the better. You'll be glad you did - and so will everyone else! ...Including the Good Lord!

### P.S. - P.A.P.A. NEWS

I am very happy to announce that this year's POLISH AMERICAN PRIESTS' ASSOCIATION National Convention will be held in Cleveland, Ohio from April 9th-13th. Mailings will be going out to our membership around the time of this publication. A wonderful experience at an exciting location is awaiting all attendees! I ask our readers to please encourage your priests to attend, especially if they haven't done so before. It is a great chance to network with other priests, to grow, and to discuss our common interests. Please include this in your Lenten prayers for a good turn-out, a fruitful gathering, and a successful event.

By Fr. Erich Orzech,  
St. Stanislaus Parish  
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For application and guidelines, go to: <https://www.prcua.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Application-2018.pdf>

## President Joseph Drobot Jr. Installs St. Stan's #718 Officers

Dearborn Hts., MI - On Sunday, January 21, 2018 members of PRCUA St. Stan's Society #718 attended the 11 a.m. Mass at St. Linus Roman Catholic Church in Dearborn Heights, MI for the deceased members of the society. It was followed by a catered luncheon at the Carl E. Stitt American Legion Hall in Dearborn Heights. During the luncheon PRCUA National President, Joseph Drobot Jr., with 115 members present, installed the 2018 Officers of the Society.N

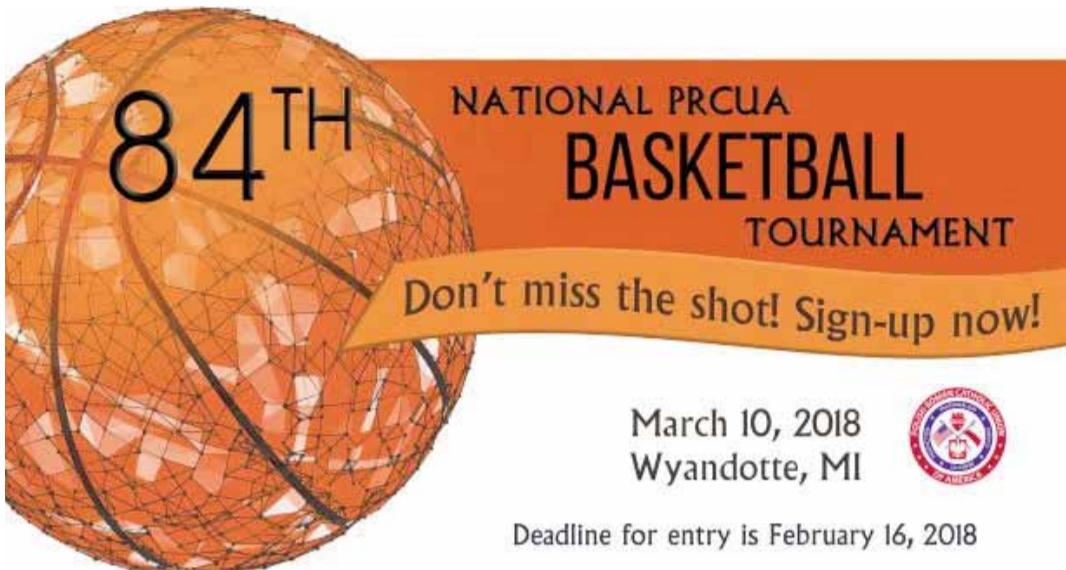


L-r: National Pres. Joseph A. Drobot, Ernie Pinzia - Sgt.-at-Arms, Bob Hojnacki - Vice President, Larry O'Reilly - Secretary-Treasurer, Jerome Nasiatka - President, Len Nasiatka - Recording Secretary  
Not pictured: Chaplain Rev. Paul Ballien

## Piast Institute Wins Mentoring Awards

Hamtramck, MI – The University of Michigan-Dearborn announced that Dylan Siwicki was named Intern of the Year for the Fall of 2017. Mr. Siwicki, a senior at the University majoring in History and minoring in Journalism, was an intern at the Piast Institute during the Fall term of 2017. He was involved in a number of research projects, including the Hamtramck Community Survey and several additional projects gathering demographic data for a number of Detroit community organizations. His work was evaluated by both the university and through the reports of his mentor, Dr. Thaddeus Radzilowski.

Dr. Radzilowski also received an award for his work in guiding the internship. He received an award as Mentor of the Year for 2017. This is the second time that the Piast Institute has been recognized as the mentoring organization of the year by the University of Michigan-Dearborn. The previous award was bestowed on the Institute in 2010 for an internship that Dr. Radzilowski supervised for Dominic Stecula in 2010, who is currently a Doctoral Candidate in Political Science/ Political Communication at the University of British Columbia. Congratulations to both award recipients.



**84<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL PRCUA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

*Don't miss the shot! Sign-up now!*

March 10, 2018  
Wyandotte, MI

Deadline for entry is February 16, 2018

Contact: 773-782-2636  
Fraternal-Department@prcu.org

Hosted by Society #162

The 84th National PRCUA Basketball Tournament will be held on Saturday, March 10, 2018 in Wyandotte, MI, hosted by Sacred Heart Society #162. The committee, chaired by Stan Pasko with the help of Ryan Mahalak and John Bobrowski, has finalized the events as follows:

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:-**

La Quinta Inn Detroit Southgate 12888 Reeck Rd. Southgate, MI 48195 Double Full or King Room: \$63 + Tax* Reservations: (734) 374-3000 by Feb. 16, 2018	Comfort Suites 18950 Northline Rd. Southgate, MI 48195 Double Queen or King Room: \$109 + Tax* Reservations: (734) 287-9200 by Feb. 22, 2018
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\*Room rates per night, include Complimentary Breakfast. Make sure to mention code PRCUA Basketball.

**SPORTS VENUES:**

Wilson Middle School 1275 15th St. Wyandotte, MI 48192	St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish 266 Antoine St. Wyandotte, MI 48192
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Lunch will be available at Wilson Middle School for all players.

**GAME DIVISIONS:**

Men's Open  
Women's (3 on 3)  
Men's Over 50 (3 on 3, Must be over age 50)

**HOSPITALITY GATHERING:**

PRCUA #162 Lounge  
1430 Oak St.  
Wyandotte, MI 48192

Friday, March 9 at 5:00 p.m. – Food and Complimentary draft beer & wine will be available from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Lounge will remain open until 2:00 a.m.

**AWARDS BANQUET:** Saturday, March 10, at PRCUA Soc. #162 Banquet Hall, 1430 Oak St., Wyandotte, MI. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Full dinner - Cash Bar. Awards Presentation after dinner. Polish American Music by the New Brass Express from 8:00 p.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**MASS:** Our Lady of the Scapular Parish, 976 Pope John Paul II Ave., Wyandotte, MI. Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (Polish), 12:00 Noon.

The entry form and Adult Waiver/Release of Liability must be completed and returned to the Home Office, together with the \$50 entry fee per team by February 16. All players must be PRCUA members in good standing. Each player may only sign one roster. Players must agree to abide by the PRCUA rules and regulations of good sportsmanship and fair play on and off the court. Make your check payable to PRCUA or use the Online Payment option at [www.prcua.org/payonline](http://www.prcua.org/payonline). All entries must be submitted by Friday, February 16, 2017.

New PRCUA players are welcome and encouraged to join in the fun. If there are any questions, please call the Fraternal Department toll-free at: 1-800-772-8632 ext. 2636.

Joseph A. Drobot, Jr. National President	Micheline Jaminski Vice President	James Robaczewski Secretary Treasurer
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For more info, visit [PRCUA.org/sports](http://PRCUA.org/sports)



All articles for the March issue of *Naród Polski*, must be submitted by Tuesday, February 20, 2018.

The P.R.C.U.A. Michigan Dance Schools, Members Of the Board, Directors and Teachers cordially invite you and your friends to attend the

**Twenty - Seventh Annual**

P.R.C.U.A

**Shirley Ann Galanty  
Michigan State Ball**

Honoring the 2018 Graduates



Saturday, February 24, 2018  
Crystal Gardens  
16703 Fort Street  
Southgate, MI, 48195

Cocktails: 5:15pm  
Promenade 6:00pm  
Dinner 6:30pm  
Semi -Formal Attire

Music by Duane Malinowski Orchestra

Donations \$55 per adult, \$50 per student through age 20  
For information contact Maria Jalkiewicz (586) 979-5164



**PRCUA #1593  
ST JOHN PAUL II SOCIETY  
Euchre Tournament  
Skip-Bo Tournament for kids  
Sunday, February 11, 2018**



Doors open at 1pm ~ Cards start at 1:30pm  
5 Star Lanes

2666 Metro Pkwy, Sterling Heights, MI 48310  
(Pinochle card players or other persons are welcome as Guests)



**Cost of the event:**

\$25 registers in advance for Euchre  
\$30 at the door if space is available  
Guests (Pinochle players) \$15 per person  
Skip-bo Tournament players \$8

**Includes:**

Euchre Tournament Prizes  
Pizza, Salad, Pop, Beer  
1 Free Raffle ticket to Euchre Tournament Players

Name(s):  
Phone number/email address:

Total Number of Players: Euchre: Skip-bo:	Total Paid:
Total Number of Guests:	

**SIGN UP TODAY!**

Organizer:  
Barb Ozog – [prcu1593@gmail.com](mailto:prcu1593@gmail.com) 586.453.3471  
30105 Wagner Dr, Warren, MI 48093  
If you are unable to attend, tax deductible donations are appreciated  
Check's payable to PRCUA #1593

**THANKS FOR THE SUPPORT!**

All proceeds go towards PRCUA #1593 St John Paul II Society's fraternal and scholarship accounts.

**Save the Dates**

**2018 PRCUA Sport Tournaments**

**Basketball** - March 10 - Wyandotte, MI - Sacred Heart Soc. #162

**Bowling** - April 13-15 - Warren, MI - St. John Paul II Soc. #1593

**Golf** - July 21 - Wyandotte, MI - Sacred Heart Soc. #162

**Softball** - August 17-18 - Woodhaven, MI - St. Stan's Soc. #718

For more information, contact the PRCUA Fraternal Department at 773-782-2636 or [fraternal-department@prcu.org](mailto:fraternal-department@prcu.org)

## HALKA DANCERS HOSTED THE PRCUA MICHIGAN WOMEN'S DIVISION OPLATEK

Warren, MI - On December 10, 2017, the PRCUA Halka Dancers of Detroit had the honor of hosting the Annual PRCUA Michigan Women's Division Oplatek celebration, held at the Ukrainian Cultural Center in Warren, MI. Over 150 guests enjoyed an elegant affair with decorations of gold and silver as well as traditional decor. Beside a beautiful Christmas tree in the ballroom was a display of Polish traditions that each Halka Dancer follows within their own family and the guests were encouraged to take a moment to see the children's work.

The highlight of the afternoon was the program that the Halka Dancers had been preparing for since classes started in September. As special guest St. Nicholas entered the ballroom, Halka Teacher and Choreographer, Thomas Lisiecki, explained St. Nicholas' story and why he is so beloved throughout Europe and he invited him to stay and watch the rest of the performance.

The Polish traditions of Christmas Eve Wigilia, decorating the tree with handmade ornaments and waiting for the "First Star" while walking to Midnight Mass were portrayed by the dancers.

*Silent Night* was sung in both Polish and English proceeded by the Halka Dancers performing a beautiful Chodzony to *Dzisiaj w Betlejem*. The entire Ensemble did an impressive suite of dances from the Żywiec Mountains, followed by the Jingle Bells Polka.

Sharing of the oplatek is the most ancient and beloved of Polish traditions and it is customary for the head of the household to begin the breaking. Halka Director, Laura Hejza and Director Emeritus, her mother, Rita Cerankowski, were the first to exchange the oplatek and offer well wishes for the New Year.

The Halka Dancers were privileged to have PRCUA President Joseph A. Drobot, Jr. and his wife Judith, National Director Colleen Bonkowski (D-10), and President Emeritus Wallace Ozog and his wife Joann present on this special day. Also in attendance were many directors and teachers of the Michigan dance schools, including Basia Nowakowski (Gwiazda), Maria Jalkiewicz (Polski Maki), Rose Ann Lackey, Karen Lubiarsz (Tatry), Kristi Mihalic and Kasia Reese (Wieliczka), and Colleen Bonkowski (Zajacek and Zakopane). Thank you to the dance groups that donated generously raffle prizes including Opole and Rogalin, and Malbork, as well as many Halka families. Special thanks go to past Opole Director, Zeneta Bielusiak who traveled many miles from Holly, MI with her family to attend this event.

The Halka Dancers are grateful for having a successful Oplatek celebration and being able to present the PRCUA Michigan Women's Division with a contribution towards the scholarships to be presented at the annual Shirley Ann Galanty Michigan State Ball to be held Saturday, February 24, 2018.

*Submitted by Laura Hejza, Director of the Halka Dancer*



Halka executive team (l-r)  
Laura Hejza, Thomas Lisiecki  
and Debra Federico



ST. RAPHAEL KALINOWSKI  
POLISH SCHOOL  
cordially invites You to attend its

### 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

on  
Saturday, February 10, 2018

open door at 6:00pm

begins at 6:30 pm

The Carmelite Banquet Hall  
1628 Ridge Rd., Munster, IN

Music by DJ Marcin,  
Special Performance by schoolchildren  
and "Mata Polska" Dance Group, Raffle

**Tickets:**

Adults and Children ages 10 and older: \$60

Children ages 5-9: \$30; ages 2-4: \$15

Reservation: Margaret Rolniak, (219) 308-6474

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PRCUA is excited to announce that our fraternal organization is now fully licensed to sell life insurance and annuities in the states of Georgia, Arizona, and North Carolina!

All of our whole life and term life insurance products, as well as our annuity products, are now available in the states of Arizona, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

Check out our Products Page to view our life insurance and annuity portfolios.

We invite those living in these states to contact us with questions regarding our products, fraternal/social benefits, and societies. We look forward to meeting new members and reacquainting ourselves with our existing members! Call us today at 773-782-2600!



### PRCUA Zajacek Dance Ensemble

13<sup>th</sup> Annual Recital  
of  
Music, Song, and Dance

Saturday, March 10, 2018  
2:30 P.M.

Warren Woods Auditorium  
13400 E. 12 Mile Road, Warren, MI

Admission \$7.00

Any Past PRCUA Alumni who would like to participate in our annual recital please contact:  
Colleen Bonkowski - zajacekdance@yahoo.com  
Rachael Kasperek - rocki\_road@yahoo.com  
Tricia Dennis - triciamdennis@gmail.com

## The Echoes of Poland

Pierogi Dinner  
March 2, 2018  
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

PRCUA Hall  
5255 N. Detroit, Toledo, OH

\$ 9.00

Menu:

4 Pierogi, Vegetables, Salad, Bread/Butter, Dessert, Coffee/Punch

Advanced Orders By the Dozens \$9.00

Cheese, Potato, Kraut, Mixed (Cheese & Potato)

Call: 419-531-8658 or 419-475-6262

Order by Feb. 23, 2018



Pierogi Dozen Sale  
March 23, 2018  
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

PRCUA Hall  
5255 N. Detroit, Toledo, OH

\$ 9.00

Cheese, Potato, Kraut, Mixed (Cheese, Potato)

CALL: 419-531-8658

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ORDER BY MARCH 9, 2018



## LUTY

**1 DEARBORN HTS, MI – LOSOWANIE STYPENDIÓW TOW. #718** - czwartek, 1 lutego w Randy's Bar & Grill, 25122 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn Hts., MI o godz. 20:00. Poczęstunek. Informacje: Jerry Nasiatka: jnasiatka@mi.rr.com.

**2 OFIAROWANIE PAŃSKIE MATKI BOSKIEJ GROMNICZNEJ (PL) | GROUNDHOG DAY (USA)**

**3 LEMONT, IL – BAL KARNAWAŁOWY POLSKIEJ SZKOŁY IM. ŚW. JANA PAWŁA II ZPRKA**, sobota, 3 lutego, godz. 18:30, Crystal Grand Banquets, 12416 Archer Ave., Lemont, IL. Rezerwacje i dodatkowe informacje pod nr. tel. (773) 520-3563. Szczegóły na str. 21.

**3 BRIDGEVIEW, IL – ZABAWA POLSKIEJ SZKOŁY IM. M. KONOPNICKIEJ**, sobota, 3 lutego w Paradise Elegant Banquets, 9220 Harlem Ave., Bridgeview, IL., Drzwi otwarte o godz. 18:30 p.m.; Obiad - godz. 19:00. Cena biletu: \$80. Dodatkowe informacje: 312-718-0169 lub 708-691-4348.

**8 GRAND RAPIDS, MI – TŁUSTY CZWARTEK W GRUPIE TANECZNEJ „MALBORK”**, czwartek, 8 lutego. Dodatkowe informacje: Jen Macek, dyrektor szkoły, tel. (269) 491-0028 lub malborkdancegroup@gmail.com.

**10 MUNSTER, IN – JUBILEUSZ 50-LECIA POLSKIEJ SZKOŁY IM. ŚW. RAFAŁA KALINOWSKIEGO ZPRKA**, sobota, 10 lutego. Sala bankietowa Ojców Karmelitów, 1628 Ridge Road, Munster, IN. Drzwi będą otwarte o godz. 18:00, bankiet o godz. 18:30. Szczegóły na str. 21.

**10 STERLING HTS., MI - POLSKA ZABAWA ZESPOŁU ZAJĄCZEK**, sobota. 10 lutego o godzinie 18:00 w American Polish Century Club, 33204 Maple Lane, Sterling Hts., MI. Bilety \$30 (w cenie poczęstunek, otwarty bar, DJ). W programie: gry, loterie, doskonała zabawa. Aby uzyskać dodatkowe informacje, należy dzwonić pod numer: (586) 770-7397.

**11 STERLING HTS., MI – TURNIEJ KARCIANY TOW. #1593 (EUCHRE TOURNAMENT)**, niedziela, 11 lutego w 5 Star Lanes, 2666 Metro Pkwy., Sterling Hts., MI. Drzwi będą otwarte o godz. 13, rozgrywki o godz. 13:30. Dodatkowe informacje na str. 9 lub u Barb Ozog, prcu1593@gmail.com lub pod nr. tel. (586) 453-3471.

**12 CHICAGO, IL – ZEBRANIE ZARZĄDU DYSTRYKTU #7 ZPRKA**, poniedziałek, 12 lutego o godz. 19:30 w świetlicy ZPRKA, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL. Kontakt: Mateusz Bomba, prezes, tel.: (773) 782-2636 lub mateusz-bomba@prcu.org.

**13 HAMTRAMCK, MI – AUTOKAROWA WYCIECZKA TOW. #162 PO PĄCZKI W TŁUSTY WTOREK**, wtorek, 13 lutego. Liczba miejsc ograniczona do pierwszych 50 zgłoszeń. Lista zapisów dostępna w PRCUA Lounge przy 1430 Oak St., Wyandotte, MI. Opłata wymagana przy zapisie. Koszt uczestnictwa \$25 od osoby. Dodatkowe informacje: Mike Halberstadt, tel. 734-216-3911.

**14 ŚRODA POPIELCOWA | DZIEŃ WALENTYNKOWY**

**18 ORLAND PARK, IL – ZEBRANIE DYSTRYKTU #8 ZPRKA**, niedziela, 18 lutego, godz. 12 w południe w sali parafialnej przy kościele Our Lady of the Woods, 10731 W 131st St, Orland Park, IL. Kontakt: Danielle Kroplewski (312) 718-0169.

**19 DZIEŃ PREZYDENTÓW (PRESIDENTS' DAY) – BIURO ZPRKA NIECZYNNE**

**24 27. DOROCZNY BAL IM. SHIRLEY GALANTY W MICHIGAN NA CZEŚĆ ABSOLWENTÓW SZKÓŁ TAŃCA ZPRKA W STANIE MICHIGAN**, sobota 24 lutego. Crystal Gardens, 16703 Fort Street, Southgate, MI. Koktajle - godz. 17:15; promenada - godz. 18; obiad - godz. 18:30. Informacje i rezerwacje: Maria Jalkiewicz (586) 979-5164.

## MARZEC

**2 TOLEDO, OH – OBIAD PIEROGOWY ZESPOŁU “ECHOES OF POLAND”**, piątek, 2 marca w PRCUA Hall, 5255 Detroit, Toledo, OH; w godz. 16-20; koszt obiadu \$9 - w tym 4 pierogi, sałata, jarzyny, chleb, masło, deser, kawa i napój owocowy; Wcześniejsze zamówienia: 12 pierogów w cenie \$9.00 (z serem, ziemniakami, kapustą kiszoną lub mieszane z serem i ziemniakami) można składać do 23 lutego pod nr. telefonu: (419) 531-8658 lub (419) 475-6262.

**3 WESTLAND, MI – ROZGRYWKI KRĘGLARSKIE BOWLING KNOCK-OUT TOW. ŚW. STANISŁAWA #718** - sobota, 3 marca, Oak Lanes, 8540 Middlebelt, Westland, MI (skrzyżowanie Middlebelt & Joy Rd.) Rejestracja o 11:15, gry rozpoczną się o godzinie 12:00. Obiad i otwarty bar po zakończeniu rozgrywek w Stitt VFW na Waverly Street (na wschód od Telegraph Rd. i na południe od Warren Ave.) Koszt uczestnictwa - \$30 dla zawodników i \$25 dla uczestników nie biorących udziału w grze. Dodatkowe informacje: Ed i Janet Ryes, tel. (734) 459-9517. Uwaga: Rozgrywki pań mogą się zacząć z opóźnieniem.

**4 CHICAGO RIDGE – 43. DOROCZNY POKAZ MODY GRUPY KULTURALNEJ DOROSŁYCH** - niedziela, 4 marca; początek o godz. 11, pokaz o godz. 12:00. Glendora Banquets, 10225 S. Harlem Ave, Chicago Ridge, IL. Szczegóły str. 23.

**5 CHICAGO, IL – DOROCZNE OBCHODY DNIA PUŁASKIEGO** - poniedziałek, 5 marca o godz. 10:00, Muzeum Polskie w Ameryce, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL - szczegóły na str. 21. **BIURO ZPRKA NIECZYNNE**

**8 MIĘDZYNARODOWY DZIEŃ KOBIECI**

**10 WYANDOTTE, MI – 84. OGÓLNOKRAJOWY TURNIEJ KOSZYKÓWKI ZPRKA** sobota, 10 marca w Wyandotte, MI. Gospodarzem jest Tow. Najświętszego Serca #162 ZPRKA. Przewodniczącym komitetu organizacyjnego jest Stanley Pasko (szczegóły na str 21).

**10 WARREN, MI – 13. DOROCZNY RECITAL ZESPOŁU ZAJĄCZEK**, sobota, 10 marca. o godz. 14:30 w Warren Woods Auditorium, Warren, MI, 13400 E. 12 Mile Road, Warren, MI. Wstęp \$7.00. Byli tancerze, którzy chcieliby wziąć udział w przedstawieniu proszeni są o kontakt z: Colleen Bonkowski - zajaczekdance@yahoo.com, Rachael Kasperek - rocki\_road@yahoo.com, Tricia Dennis - triciamdennis@gmail.com.

**11 WYANDOTTE, MI – ZEBRANIE TOW. #162, OBCHODY DNIA ŚW. PATRYKA I DOROCZNY OBIAD CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER**, niedziela, 11 marca od godz. 13:30. PRCUA Soc. #162 Hall, 1430 Oak St., Wyandotte, MI. Informacje: prcu@wyan.org lub mhalbers@wyan.org.

**11 DETROIT, MI – UROCZYSTE BŁOGOSŁAWIENSTWO SZKÓŁ TAŃCA ZPRKA W MICHIGAN** - niedziela, 11 marca w kościele św. Jacka, 3151 Farnsworth St., Detroit, MI. o godz. 11:15. Procesja tancerzy przed mszą. Dodatkowe informacje: Joe Jaczkowski - events@sainthyacinth.com.

**17 DZIEŃ ŚW. PATRYKA**

**18 CHICAGO, IL – DOROCZNY OBIAD CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DYSTR. #7** - niedziela, 18 marca w świetlicy ZPRKA w Chicago. Początek o godz. 13:00, obiad o godz. 14:00. Szczegóły str. 20.

**19 UROCZYŚĆ ŚW. JÓZEFA**

**20 PIERWSZY DZIEŃ WIOSNY**

**23 TOLEDO, OH – TOLEDO, OH - SPRZEDAŻ PIEROGÓW ZESPOŁU “ECHOES OF POLAND”** w piątek, 23 marca, PRCUA Hall, 5255 N. Detroit, Toledo, OH; w godz. 10:00-18:00. 12 pierogów w cenie \$9.00 (z serem, ziemniakami, kapustą kiszoną lub mieszane z serem i ziemniakami). Zamówienia należy składać do 9 marca pod nr. telefonu: (419) 531-8658 lub (419) 475-6262.

**24 GRAND RAPIDS, MI – RECITAL WIOSENNY GRUPY TAECZNEJ „MALBORK”**, sobota, 24 marca. Dodatkowe informacje: Jen Macek, dyrektor szkoły, tel. (269) 491-0028 lub malborkdancegroup@gmail.com.

**25 NIEDZIELA PALMOWA**

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**W odniesieniu do wybranych stanowisk prezesa, wiceprezesa i sekretarza/skarbnika, Komitet zaleca:**

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- Preferowane studia podyplomowe (post graduate);
- Co najmniej pięć (5) lat członkostwa w ZPRKA i opłacone wszystkie składki członkowskie;
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- Szkolenie się lub ukończenie kursów ALMI (Associate Life Management Institute) w ciągu dwudziestu czterech (24) miesięcy od rozpoczęcia urzędowania.

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Oprócz obowiązków określonych w Konstytucji dla osób ubiegających się o wybrane stanowiska, Komitet określił następujące wytyczne, które kandydaci muszą wziąć pod uwagę:

**Obowiązki prezesa:**

- Uczestniczy w inwestowaniu funduszy organizacji;
- Reprezentuje organizację w wydarzeniach lokalnych i krajowych;
- Opracowuje i wdraża plan biznesowy;
- Nadzoruje przestrzeganie przepisów, inwestycje, zasoby ludzkie i pracę doradcy prawnego.

**Obowiązki wiceprezesa:**

- Nadzoruje departamenty: sprzedaży, marketingu, braterski i publikacji
- Reprezentuje organizację w wydarzeniach lokalnych i krajowych.

**Obowiązki sekretarza / skarbnika:**

- Nadzoruje departamenty: informatyki, usług członkowskich, zarządzania ryzykiem, rewidencji, funduszy, underwriting oraz zarządzanie budynkami i nieruchomościami;
- Reprezentuje organizację w wydarzeniach lokalnych i krajowych.

**Obowiązki dyrektora krajowego:**

- Wymagane uczestnictwo we wszystkich zaplanowanych spotkaniach zarządu i dyrekcji;
- Monitoruje działalność powierniczą ZPRKA i Komitetu Wykonawczego;
- Główny kontakt w rozwiązywaniu problemów między biurem ZPRKA, a lokalnymi Dystryktami;
- Aktywnie promuje i / lub organizuje lokalną działalność organizacji;
- Promuje i prosi o członkostwo;
- Reprezentuje organizację w wydarzeniach lokalnych i krajowych.

**UWAGA:** Szkolenia w celu uzyskania certyfikatu dyrektora ZPRKA oraz kursów ALMI jest opłacone przez ZPRKA.

Jeżeli nie ma wykwalifikowanego kandydata na stanowisko w zarządzie lub dyrekcji ZPRKA Rada Dyrektorów zastrzega sobie prawo do pozyskania i wyboru osoby na dane stanowisko.

Jeśli członek zarządu lub dyrekcji nie zda egzaminu OLM, ALMI lub Insurance Producer w wyznaczonym terminie, Rada Dyrektorów ogłosi wakant.

## PROPOZYCJE POPRAWEK DO KONSTYTUCJI I STATUTU ZPRKA

Komitet d.s. Konstytucji przyjmuje propozycje poprawek do Konstytucji i Statutu ZPRKA. Propozycje poprawek może przedstawić każdy indywidualny członek, Towarzystwo, Okręg lub Dystrykt ZPRKA, który ma uregulowane wszelkie wymagane opłaty. Aby propozycje zostały rozpatrzone przez Komitet ds. Konstytucji, muszą być przedstawione na piśmie i nadesłane do Komitetu d.s. Konstytucji do dnia 1 czerwca 2018 r.

Osoby zainteresowane wniesieniem poprawek powinny wypełnić formularz zamieszczony na str. 4 "Narodu Polskiego" i przesłać do Komitetu d.s. Konstytucji.

## WAŻNA INFORMACJA DLA CZŁONKÓW ZPRKA I SEKRETARZY FINANSOWYCH TOWARZYSTW

Zgodnie z Konstytucją i Regulaminem ZPRKA, Towarzystwa ZPRKA muszą w kwietniu lub maju 2018 r. wybrać delegatów i ich zastępców na 62. Sejm ZPRKA. Skontaktuj się z sekretarzem finansowym swojego Towarzystwa, aby uzyskać informacje na temat zebrania wyborczego, jeśli nie jest ono wymienione w Kalendarzu ZPRKA.

W celu umieszczenia informacji o zebraniu Towarzystwa w kwietniowym wydaniu Kalendarza ZPRKA, prosimy wszystkich sekretarzy finansowych Towarzystw ZPRKA o skontaktowanie się z redaktorem Lidią Kowalewicz pod bezpłatny numer 1-800-772-8632 w. 2639 lub przesłanie informacji pocztą elektroniczną na adres: narodopolski@prcu.com do 15 marca.

## ZAWIADOMIENIE KOMITETU BUDŻETU, SKARG I ZAŻALEŃ

Komitet Budżetu, Skarg i Zażaleń podaje do wiadomości wszystkich członków i członkiń ZPRKA, iż wszystkie skargi, wnioski i zażalenia, muszą być zgłoszone do Komitetu na piśmie do dnia 1 czerwca 2018 r. Tylko skargi, wnioski i zażalenia, które oficjalnie zostaną wniesione do Komitetu, zostaną przyjęte do rozpatrzenia przez Sejm ZPRKA. Komitet Budżetu, Skarg i Zażaleń zbierze się po otrzymaniu powyższych zgłoszeń od członków i członkiń ZPRKA.

Patrick Kosowski, przewodniczący

Wnioski, skargi i zażalenia należy przesyłać na adres:

Budget and Grievance Committee  
PRCUA  
984 N. Milwaukee Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60642-4101

## INFORMACJE DLA ZARZĄDÓW TOWARZYSTW W SPRAWIE PRZEDSTAWICIELSTWA NA SEJMIE ZPRKA

62. Sejm ZPRKA zbliża się szybko. Sekretarz-skarbnik przypomina wszystkim zarządom Towarzystw ZPRKA o bardzo ważnym przepisie w Konstytucji i Statucie, regulującym reprezentację Towarzystw na Sejmie.

**Sekcja trzecia, Artykuł 03E, Delegaci na Sejm, Paragraf 6**

"Towarzystwo zaległe z opłatami składek dla ZPRKA przez więcej niż dwa (2) miesiące, traci swoje prawo do reprezentacji na Sejmie".

Większość Towarzystw ma w obecnej chwili opłacone wszystkie składki, dlatego ta informacja nie odnosi się do nich. Jednakże zachęcamy wszystkie Towarzystwa, które są opóźnione z opłatami, o jak najszybsze wyrównanie zaległości, w celu dostosowania się do wymogów Konstytucji w sprawie reprezentacji Towarzystwa na Sejmie, który jest najważniejszym wydarzeniem naszej braterskiej organizacji.

James Robaczewski, FIC  
sekretarz-skarbnik

## Bal urodzinowy 30-lecia Zespołu Pieśni i Tańca Polonia ZPRKA



Bywają na Polonii bale i baliska, ale takiej zabawy, jaką zorganizował Zespół „Polonia” w sobotę, 18 listopada w Crystal Palace, nie da się zapomnieć. Urodziwa, wystrojona w bajecznie kolorowe stroje regionalne młodzież, urzekająca elegancją i kunsztem tanecznym na parkiecie. Honorowymi gośćmi były delegacje Zjednoczenia Polskiego Rzymsko-Katolickiego w Ameryce, Kongresu Polonii Amerykańskiej, Legionu Młodych Polek, Zrzeszenia Nauczycieli Polskich, Copernicus Center oraz Wicekonsul Rzeczypospolitej Polski w Chicago, pan Piotr Semeniuk i probosz parafii św. Ferdynanda w Chicago, ks. Zdzisław Torba.



Zyczenia od Konsulatu RP w Chicago przekazał wicekonsul Piotr Semeniuk (z prawej)

Program wieczoru prowadziła jak zawsze żywiołowa kierownik zespołu Anna Krysińska. W czasie występu artystycznego za konsolą muzyczną zasiadła młoda i utalentowana choreografka Jaclyn Krysińska. Porywające pasażę ludowe wygrywał w akompaniamencie dyrektor muzyczny Mieczysław Dziś. Tancerze młodszej i starszej „Polonii”, w brawurowym tempie i z prawdziwą pasją wykonali suitę tanców lubelskich, opoczyńskich i śląskich. Burze oklasków wywołały scenki baletowe w wykonaniu najmłodszych dzieci z Krasnoludków. Tańce warmińskie urzekły widzów tanecznym dowcipem i techniką młodych tancerzy. Miejski folklor lat 30-ych zaprezentowała Grupa Reprezentacyjna Polonii w tańcu „Lindy Charleston”.



Wzruszającą piosenkę 30-lecia, kompozycji Mieczysława Dziś do słów Marianny Dziś, odśpiewali wszyscy artyści „Polonii” przy odgłosach burzliwych oklasków, podczas długiej owacji gości balowych. Trudno uwierzyć, że minęło już 30 lat od momentu kiedy Cecylia Rożnowska (założyciel, dyrektor i choreograf Zespołu Pieśni i Tańca „Warmia” w Olsztynie) i jej córka Anna Krysińska, rozpoczęły organizowanie zespołów pieśni i tańca ludowego dla dzieci i młodzieży w Chicago. Początkiem dzisiejszego 120-osobowego Zespołu „Polonia” było „Jackowo” i „Mała Polonia”, utworzone przy parafii św. Jacka w Chicago. Dziś, w skład zespołu wchodzi grupy: „Polonia”, „Młoda Polonia”, „Mała Polonia”, i „Krasnoludki”, działające przy parafii św. Ferdynanda i w Copernicus Center w Chicago oraz przy parafii św. Tomasza Becketa w Mt. Prospect, IL.



W ciągu 30-letniej działalności, dzieci i młodzież brały aktywny udział w życiu kulturalnym i społecznym środowiska polonijnego i amerykańskiego. Choreografka Jaclyn Krysińska reprezentuje już trzecie pokolenie założycielskiej rodziny zespołu „Polonia”. Z zespołem obecnie współpracuje choreografka Barbara Kulesza, Iwona Puc, asystentkami są tancerki: Niki Romek, Emilka Wojciak, Kasia Szewcowa i Lidia Ramotowski. Barwność i autentyczność układów choreograficznych oraz wysoki poziom wykonania to walory, dzięki którym zespół Polonia odnosi przez ostatnie 30 lat sukcesy nie tylko w USA, ale i w 22 krajach świata.

Jolanta Dylewska



### DOROCZNY OBIAD „Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner”

w niedzielę 18 marca 2018 r.  
Koktajle - 1 po poł. 🍀 Obiad - 2 po poł.  
Świetlica ZPRKA

984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL

Wstęp - \$35 od osoby  
Obiad przygotowuje Ray Harrington

Loteria pieniężna

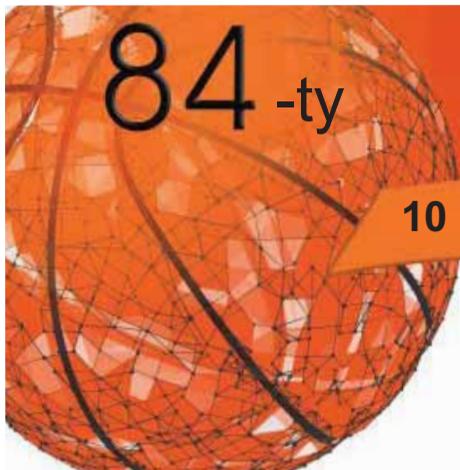
Rezerwacje do 9 marca 2018 r.

pod numerem 773-782-2636

(bilety nie będą sprzedawane przy wejściu)

Prosimy wystawić czek na  
PRCUA District 7 i przesłać na adres:  
Mateusz Bomba, PRCUA  
984 N. Milwaukee Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60642-4101





**Krajowy Turniej Koszykówki ZPRKA**  
**10 marca 2018 - Wyandotte, MI**

Gospodarzem turnieju jest Tow. #162

Dodatkowe informacje: 773-782-2636  
Fraternal-Department@prcu.org

84. Ogólnokrajowy Turniej Koszykówki ZPRKA odbędzie się w sobotę, 10 marca 2018 r. w Wyandotte, MI. Gospodarzem tegorocznego turnieju jest Tow. Najświętszego Serca #162 ZPRKA, przewodniczącym komitetu organizacyjnego jest Stanley Pasko.

Zawodnicy i goście mogą się zakwaterować w następujących hotelach:

- La Quinta Inn Detroit Southgate, 12888 Reeck Rd., Southgate, MI 48195. Pokoje Double Full lub King: \$63/noc + podatek (w cenie śniadanie). Rezerwacje: (734) 374-3000 do 16 lutego 2018.

- Comfort Suites, 18950 Northline Rd., Southgate, MI 48195. Pokoje Double Queen lub King: \$109/noc + podatek (w cenie - śniadanie). Rezerwacje: (734) 287-9200 do 22 lutego 2018. Rezerwując pokój użyjcie kodu: PRCUA Basketball.

Turniej rozgrywany będzie w dwóch salach gimnastycznych:

- w szkole Wilson Middle School, 1275 15th St., Wyandotte, MI
- przy parafii św. Stanisława Kostki, 266 Antoine St., Wyandotte, MI

(dla zawodników zostanie przygotowany lunch w szkole Wilson Middle School).

Turniej rozgrywany będzie w trzech kategoriach: otwarta-męska, żeńska (3 na 3), męska dla uczestników w wieku ponad 50 lat (3 na 3).

W piątek, 9 marca o godz. 17, odbędzie się w PRCUA #162 Lounge przy 1430 Oak St. w Wyandotte, MI wieczór integracyjny. W godz. 19:00-21:00 podany zostanie posiłek i piwo oraz wino.

Rozdanie nagród odbędzie się w PRCUA 162 Banquet Hall przy 1430 Oak St. w Wyandotte, MI. Drzwi otwarte o godz. 18:30 p.m. Obiad, płatny bar. Po obiedzie - rozdanie nagród. W godz. 22:00-24:00 do tańca grać będzie zespół New Brass Express.

Rozkład mszy św. w kościele Our Lady of the Scapular przy 976 Pope John Paul II Ave. w Wyandotte, MI: sobota - 16:30, niedziela - 8:00 (w jęz. pol.), 12 w poł. (w jęz. ang.).

Formularz zgłoszeniowy i formularz dot. zwolnienia z odpowiedzialności prawnej, należy wypełnić i odesłać do biura ZPRKA wraz z wpisowym w wysokości \$50.00 za drużynę. Wszyscy zawodnicy muszą być członkami ZPRKA i mieć opłacone składki członkowskie. Każdy zawodnik może wypełnić tylko jedno zgłoszenie. Uczestnicy turnieju muszą wyrazić zgodę na przestrzeganie zasad i przepisów dobrej sportowej rywalizacji i fair play. Wypełnione formularze wraz z opłatą, należy odesłać do Biura ZPRKA na adres: **PRCUA c/o Fraternal Dept., 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60642-4101**. Czeki powinny być wystawione na: **PRCUA** (opłata elektroniczna - [www.prcua.org/payonline](http://www.prcua.org/payonline)). Termin nadsyłania zgłoszeń wraz opłatą upływa 16 lutego 2018 roku.

Zachęcamy nowych zawodników do przyłączenia się do zabawy. W sprawie uzyskania dodatkowych informacji, prosimy się kontaktować z Działem Braterskim: 1-800-772-8632 wew. 2636.

Joseph A. Drobot, Jr.  
prezes

Micheline Jaminski  
wiceprezes

James Robaczewski  
sekretarz/skarbnik

## 27. Doroczny Bal im. Shirley Galanty w Michigan na cześć absolwentów szkół tańca ZPRKA w stanie Michigan



Sobota, 24 lutego 2018 r.  
Crystal Gardens  
16703 Fort Street, Southgate, MI

Koktajle - godz. 17:15  
Promenada - godz. 18:00  
Obiad - godz. 18:30

Bilet y - \$55 dorośli; \$50 - studenci do lat 20.

Informacje i rezerwacje: Maria Jalkiewicz (586) 979-5164

Do tańca grać będzie: Duane Malinowski Orchestra

## Turnieje sportowe ZPRKA w 2017

**10 marca** - Turniej koszykówki  
Wyandotte, MI

**21 lipca** - Turniej golfowy  
Wyandotte, MI

**13-15 kwietnia**  
Turniej kreglarski - Warren, MI

**17-18 sierpnia** - Turniej softball -  
Woodhaven, MI

Dodatkowe informacje: Departament Braterstwa ZPRKA, tel. 773-782-2636 lub [fraternal-department@prcu.org](mailto:fraternal-department@prcu.org); na stronie: [www.prcua.org/sports](http://www.prcua.org/sports); w "Narodzie Polskim"

**POLSKA SZKOŁA**  
**im. Św. Rafała Kalinowskiego zaprasza**  
**na uroczysty bankiet z okazji**

**JUBILEUSZU 50-lecia**

**w sobotę 10 lutego 2018 roku**

**drzwi otwarte o godz. 18:00**

**rozpoczęcie o godz. 18:30**

**Sala bankietowa Ojców Karmelitów**  
**1628 Ridge Road, Munster, IN**

**Muzykę: DJ Marcin,**  
**występ taneczny: uczniowie Szkoły**  
**oraz zespół „Mała Polska”, loteria**

**Bilety:**

**Dorośli i dzieci powyżej 10 lat: \$60**

**Dzieci od 5 do 9 lat: \$30; od 2 do 4 lat: \$15**

**Rezerwacja: Małgorzata Rolniak (219) 308-6474**

**POLSKA SZKOŁA im. św. JANA PAWŁA II ZPRKA**  
**Serdecznie Zaprasza na**

**Bal**  
**Karnawałowy**  
**2018**

**3 lutego 2018 r. godz. 6:30 PM**

Sala Crystal Grand Banquets 12416 Archer Ave w Lemont

szampańska zabawa w doborowym towarzystwie  
**otwarty bar ~ wspaniały obiad ~ pyszne słodkości**  
Gra Zespół **MILLENIUM**

Bilety do nabycia w Szkole im. św. Jana Pawła II oraz pod nr. tel. 773.520.3563  
w piątki od godz. 6:00 PM do 9:00 PM  
w soboty od godz. 10:00 AM do 1:00 PM

Do 13 stycznia **PROMOCJA**

Cena biletu: \$45.00 /os. dla rodziców szkoły JP II

Cena biletu po 13 stycznia - \$60,00 /os.  
Cena biletu dla osób spoza szkoły - \$70,00 /os.



**Stanowe obchody Dnia**  
**Kazimierza Pułaskiego**

**poniedziałek, 5 marca 2018 o godz. 10:00**

**w sali im. Sabiny F. Logisz**  
**Muzeum Polskiego w Ameryce**  
984 N. Milwaukee, Chicago, IL

Przemówienia polityków, miejskich i stanowych  
i przywódców organizacji polonijnych oraz złożenie wieńca pod  
obrazem S. Batowskiego "Pułaski pod Savannah". Wstęp wolny



# The Open Door Otwarte Drzwi

Micheline "Misia" Jaminski  
Vice President ~ wiceprezes  
micheline-jaminski@prcu.org

## "Luty"

Często w nim bywają jeszcze mrozy trzaskające, za to jest w calutkim roku najkrótszym miesiącem.

Lecz nie zrobi nam nic złego mroźny koniec zimy, nakarmimy głodne ptaki, w piecu napalimy.

Szczerzy luty zęby sopli, wszystko mrozem ściska. Niech tam sobie! Wkrótce przyjdzie "kryśka na Matyska". Gdy obuję ciepłe buty i gdy kożuch włożę, niech tam sobie mroźny luty sroży się na dworze.

(<http://www.lena.librawrd.pl/Wierszoteka/Miesiace.htm>)

Już rozpoczął się drugi miesiąc 2018 roku. Tęskniąc za ciepłem, szukamy więcej światła dziennego i oznak lepszej pogody, czekając na wczesną wiosnę (trzymamy kciuki w Dzień świstaka). W tym roku również w lutym, będziemy obchodzili święta, które związane są z naszą wiarą (Środa Popielcowa oraz Wielki Post) oraz święta, które szczególnie skupiają się na miłości (Walentynki), patriotyzmie (Dzień Prezydenta) i na zabawie (Karnawał i Ostatki - Tłusty Czwartek (PL) lub Tłusty Wtorek (USA)). Zapraszam do kalendarza w tym wydaniu „Narodu Polskiego”, aby znaleźć, jak co miesiąc, informacje o wielu ciekawych wydarzeniach. Jeśli w pobliżu Was nie ma żadnych imprez, proponuję zorganizować zgromadzenie. Jest wiele powodów oraz okazji, aby poprzez różnego rodzaju inicjatywy.

Po wszystkich przygotowaniach i świętach przed, w trakcie i po okresie bożonarodzeniowym, doceniam możliwość chociaż odrobiny odpoczynku w styczniu – krótsze dni oraz dłuższe noce. Mimo to, wciąż było mnóstwo radosnych wydarzeń i niestety zbyt wiele smutnych nowin.



**Spotkanie Afterglow - uczestnicy Balu Kopciuszka i Księcia z choreografem Ryszardem Jamińskim (p)**

pokazu mody, który się odbędzie 4-go marca b.r. (więcej szczegółów na stronie 23).

Również 7 stycznia, odprawiona została Msza św. w języku polskim w kościele św. Wawrzyńca w Utica, MI. Ks. Roman Pasieczny był bardzo zadowolony z uczestnictwa zespołu Zajazek.



**(L-p) Prezes IPN dr Jarosław Szarek w czasie spotkania z zarządem ZPRKA: Micheline Jamiński, Joseph Drobot, James Robaczewski**



**(L-p) Prezes Szarek przekazał pamiątkowe kalendarze dyr. wykonawczej MPA M. Kot, prezesowi MPA R. Owsianemu i prezesowi ZPRKA J. Drobotowi.**

Barta Morawskiego. Ci młodzi ludzie zaczęli swoją przygodę taneczną w Południowo-Zachodnim Centrum Polskich Tańców Ludowych jako dzieci, a jako młodzież kontynuują ją w „Wesołym Ludzie”. W radosnej atmosferze spędzali czas członkowie zespołu, rodziny i przyjaciele osób wyróżnionych, a także przedstawiciele ZPRKA: sekretarz-skarbnik James Robaczewski wraz z żoną Elaine; dyrektorzy Krystyna Lech z mężem Tadeuszem (D-8), James Rustik (D-8), Elizabeth Sadus (D-9) oraz Steven Cieśllicki (były dyrektor D-8 oraz absolwent „Wesołego Ludu”); dyr. sprzedaży Robert Fattore; dyr. marketingu Agnieszka Bastrzyk z rodziną; koordynator Wydziału Braterskiego Mateusz Bomba z osobą towarzyszącą. Z przyjemnością pomagałam kierownikowi artystycznemu i choreografowi, mojemu mężowi Ryszardowi, w prowadzeniu tego wydarzenia. Gratuluję wszystkim, kolejnej udanej zabawy! Dłuższe relacje z tego wydarzenia oraz zdjęcia ukazały się w następnym wydaniu „Narodu Polskiego”.

21 stycznia odbyło się doroczne śniadanie oraz wybory zarządu Towarzystwa #718 ZPRKA, na którym był obecny prezes Drobot. Prezesem towarzystwa został Jerry



**(L-p) Kuba, Kacper, Bart**



**Przedstawiciele ZPRKA na zabawie ZPTL Wesoły Lud**

N a s i a t k a , wiceprezesem Bob H o j n a c k i , sekretarzem Leonard N a s i a t k a , skarbnikiem Larry O'Reilly, sierżantem Ernest Pindzia. Gratulacje!

27 stycznia odbyła się 25. edycja Studniówki pod patronatem



**Zaprzysiężenie nowego zarządu Tow. #718 przez prezesa Drobot (l)**

Zrzeszenia Nauczycieli Polskich na sali Drury Lane w Oak Brook, IL. Prezes Drobot wraz z małżonką wzięli udział w tym wyjątkowym wydarzeniu. Na Studniówce obecni byli między innymi uczniowie ze szkół



**Maturzyści Szkoły Polskiej Św. Rafała Kalinowskiego z państwem Drobot**

Polskiej Szkoły im. Św. Rafała Kalinowskiego (Małgorzata Czachor – dyrektor; Małgorzata Blachut – prezes), Polskiej Szkoły im. Marii Konopnickiej (Stanisław Skubisz – dyrektor; Danielle Kroplewska – prezes) oraz Polskiej Szkoły im. Św. Jana Pawła II (Halina Szyrzyna – dyrektor; Małgorzata Śnieżko – prezes).

W bardziej osobistym tonie – wraz z moim mężem



**Maturzyści Szkoły Polskiej im. M. Konopnickiej z pp. Drobot, dyrektorem i nauczycielami szkoły**

powitaliśmy Nowy Rok w Sacramento w Kalifornii, gdzie świętowaliśmy 65. urodziny Gosi Niemiec, drogiej przyjaciółki od 49 lat. Nasze ścieżki zeszyły się podczas letniego kursu w Alliance College (AC) w Cambridge Springs w stanie Pensylwania, jeszcze w szkole średniej. Przybyła wtedy aż z San Francisco a ja z Chicago. Później studiowałyśmy w AC i b y ł y ś m y



**Maturzyści Szkoły Polskiej im. Św. Jana Pawła II z dyrektorem i nauczycielami szkoły**

współlokatorkami. Gosia jest matką chrzestną mojej młodszej córki.

Utrzymujemy naszą przyjaźń, mimo, że jesteśmy tak daleko od siebie. Nasze wakacje w klimacie 60+ stopni były mile widzianą zmianą w zimie, która srożyła się w Chicago.

2018 rok będzie szczególnie dla Zjednoczenia Polskiego Rzymsko-Katolickiego w Ameryce, która jako najstarsza polonijna organizacja w Stanach Zjednoczonych, będzie obchodziła 145. rocznicę założenia. Również w tym roku odbędzie się 62. Sejm ZPRKA, podczas którego omawiana będzie przyszłość Zjednoczenia i zostanie podjętych szereg decyzji. Zapraszamy Państwa bardzo serdecznie do wzięcia udziału w różnych wydarzeniach i skorzystania z ofert, które będą przygotowane w tym roku. Chcę w tym miejscu podkreślić, jak ważne jest, aby wspierać polonijne organizacje i biznesy. Czasami łatwo zapomnieć, że miejsca te działają, dzięki wsparciu otoczenia i Polonii i tak wiele się w nich dzieje.



**Z mężem Ryszardem (l), w czasie wizyty u mojej przyjaciółki Gosi Niemiec i Eda Mohyłowskiego (p)**

Organizacja, która przeżywa 145-ty rok swojego istnienia, przez prawie półtora wieku bardzo się zmieniła i zapisała na trwałe w historii. To my, byli i obecni członkowie, wypracowujemy różne formy współpracy i pomocy. Jako Polonia, jesteśmy dumni, że ZPRKA nadal istnieje i tak prężnie działa. Zapraszamy wszystkich w nasze szeregi, a zwłaszcza do skorzystania z konkurencyjnych produktów, które oferujemy, tak ważnych w codziennym życiu, jak zabezpieczanie rodziny poprzez ubezpieczenia na życie oraz zabezpieczanie swojej przyszłości poprzez konta emerytalne.

Serca nasze zasmucają wieści o wielu przyjaciółach, którzy odeszli na wieczny odpoczynek. W styczniu pożegnaliśmy kilku przyjaciół ZPRKA i przedstawicieli środowiska Polonii amerykańskiej.

29 grudnia – Charles A. Komosa, 50, Sekretarz Związku Narodowego Polskiego (ZNP); najszczerze kondolencje dla żony Agaty oraz synów – Charlesa i Alexandra oraz rodzinom Komosa, Rozmarek i przyjaciółom w

ZN. Charlie był wnukiem śp. Charlesa i Wandy Rozmarek. Na pogrzebie, który odbył się 2 stycznia, obecni byli prezes Drobot oraz sekretarz-skarbnik Robaczewski.

10 stycznia – Stewart T. Kusper, 53, były przewodniczący 2014 komisji konstytucyjnej ZPRKA. Najszczerze kondolencje składamy dzieciom – Danowi, Alexowi, Katie i Billowi oraz rodzinie, w tym ojcu Stanley'owi T. Kusper, Jr. Na pogrzebie była obecna wraz z prezesem Drobotem i sekr-skarb. Robaczewskim.

16 stycznia – Geraldine Kowalski, 83, była pracowniczka ZPRKA oraz ostatnia prezes Wydziału Kobiet na stany Illinois-Indiana ZPRKA. Wraz z prezesem Drobotem, skarbnikiem Robaczewskim wzięliśmy udział w modlitwie za duszę Geraldine oraz przekazaliśmy kondolencje w imieniu ZPRKA rodzinie – synowi Robertowi z żoną Leisą, córce Christine A. Rosselli oraz wnukom Toddowi Rosselli, Adamowi i Matthew Kowalskim.

18 stycznia – Mark Chachula, 53, drogi kuzyn mojej najlepszej przyjaciółki Teresy Paździora. Najszczerze kondolencje dla rodziców Janiny i Henryka Chachuli oraz całej rodziny i przyjaciół zmarłego.

22 stycznia – Regina (Chytrowska) Sokołowski, 94, ukochana Mama Dana (Maria) i Marka Sokołowskich, męża byłej wiceprezes ZPRKA, Anny Sokołowskiej. Najszczerze kondolencje składamy całej rodzinie Sokołowskich. Pani Regina urodziła się w Polsce, mieszkała w Warszawie. Podczas drugiej wojny światowej brała udział w Powstaniu Warszawskim i służyła partyzantom jako asystent medyczny. Po ślubie z Janem w 1946 r., para przeprowadziła się do Niemiec, następnie do Anglii, Argentyny, a na koniec do Stanów Zjednoczonych, pozostając w okolicach Chicago przez resztę swojego życia i kochając swoje polskie dziedzictwo. Pani Regina była bardzo kochana i szanowana przez rodzinę, w tym 5 wnucząt i 6 prawnucząt oraz licznych przyjaciół. Na pogrzebie, który odbył się 25-ego stycznia, oddaliśmy Jej hołd i pożegnaliśmy Ją ostatni raz wspólnie z prezesem Drobotem oraz moim mężem Ryszardem Jamińskim.

22 stycznia – Rosendo Prado, 54, wujek pracowniczki Julie Prado. Najszczerze wyrazy współczucia przekazujemy całej rodzinie Prado.

29 stycznia – Laura Kasprzyk, 57, bliźniaczka byłej pracowniczki ZPRKA Lindy Kasprzyk. Całej rodzinie Kasprzyk oraz Pawłowski, przesyłamy najszczerze kondolencje.

*Wieczny odpoczynek racz Im dać Panie, a światłość wiekuista niechaj Im świeci. Niech odpoczywają w pokoju. Amen.*

Pożegnanie tak wielu osób w tak krótkim czasie wstrząsnęło mną głęboko. Pragnę na długo zapamiętać wszystkie dobre rzeczy, jakie zostały dokonane przez tych znanych mi, wspaniałych ludzi oraz te z ostatniego roku – dobre wspomnienia rodzinne i osiągnięcia naszej ukochanej organizacji.

Podsumowując miniony rok, śmiało można powiedzieć, że:

2017 rok dla Zjednoczenia Polskiego Rzymsko-Katolickiego w Ameryce był bardzo pracowity i pełen różnego rodzaju sukcesów organizacyjnych. Jako przede wszystkim firma ubezpieczeniowa, która oferuje plany ubezpieczeniowe na życie i konta emerytalne, Zjednoczenie dodało 3 stany, w których od 2017 możemy sprzedawać nasze produkty: North Carolina, Georgia i Arizona. W związku z tym oferujemy nasze produkty finansowe w 27 stanach. W marcowym wydaniu „Narodu Polskiego”, prezes Drobot przedstawi swoje podsumowanie roku, w tym finansowy raport ZPRKA. Jesteśmy dobrze prosperującą organizacją ubezpieczeniową, ale jak zawsze, prosimy o wsparcie. Wszyscy potrzebujemy zabezpieczenia finansowego więc polecamy ZPRKA – naszym rodzinom, znajomym i zabezpieczmy również siebie.

W naszym portfolio oferujemy ubezpieczenia na życie dla prawie każdego przekroju wiekowego – od najmłodszych do starszych osób. W tym plany, które zabezpieczają na całe życie – Whole Life, jak również plany, które zabezpieczają na krótszy okres – Term Life. Od niedawna Zjednoczenie oferuje również plany Whole Life z opcją, bez pytań medycznych i badań lekarskich – typu Final Expense i Guaranteed Issue – czyli plany które zabezpieczają praktycznie od razu.

Nasze konkurencyjne plany emerytalne, oferują wiele opcji dla osób, które poszukują miejsca aby ulokować fundusze. Zjednoczenie oferuje konta na 3, 5 i 8 lat. W grudniu dodaliśmy serię kont *White Eagle* – na dwa lata z oprocentowaniem rocznym 2,62, które jest również gwarantowane przez 2 lata.

Nasze szeregi agentów, którzy są gotowi pomóc Państwu jak również odpowiadać na pytania, także się powiększyły. W celu znalezienia agenta sprzedaży w Państwa okolicy, prosimy dzwonić do Agnieszki Bastrzyk pod numer 773-782-2632.

W 2017 roku dużo się zmieniło w siedzibie ZPRKA – zewnętrzne remonty skończone będą w 2018 roku. Zapraszamy bardzo serdecznie naszych członków wraz z gośćmi do budynku Zjednoczenia, który również mieści Muzeum Polskie w Ameryce, aby zarówno nas odwiedzić, a także poznać skarby Muzeum Polskiego.

Pod względem kulturalnym, ponieważ Zjednoczenie jest nie tylko firmą ubezpieczeniową ale również oferuje różnego rodzaju dodatkowe programy, rozszerzyliśmy nasze sponsorstwo szkół języka polskiego oraz grup tańca ludowego o nową grupę w Michigan.

Szkoły oraz grupy taneczne i zespoły działające pod patronatem ZPRKA, świętowały kolejne jubileusze – Złota rocznica ZPiT „Echo of Poland” (Toledo OH); Rubinowa rocznica ZPTL „Wesoły Lud” (Chicago, IL) i 30-ta rocznica ZPiT „Polonia” (Chicago, IL). Ostatnie dwa zespoły również uczestniczyły w XVII Światowym Festiwalu Polonijnych Zespołów Folklorystycznych w Rzeszowie. W 2017 roku odbyło się pięć udanych turniejów sportowych: turniej koszykówki, zorganizowany przez Towarzystwo #1368 (Big Rapids, MI); kręglarski, zorganizowany przez Towarzystwo #718 (Westland MI); golfowy, zorganizowany przez Towarzystwo #1493 (Wayne, MI); piłki softball, zorganizowany przez Polski Zespół Tańca Ludowego „Zakopane” (Warren, MI); oraz siatkówki, zorganizowany przez grupę „Opole Dancers” (Warren, MI). Nasze szkoły językowe i taneczne, doskonale się rozwijają i przy wsparciu ZPRKA będą kontynuować swoją pracę przez wiele lat. Ale nasze związki z Polonią nie zaczynają się i kończą na tej działalności. Nowe inicjatywy muszą być rozwijane właśnie przez Was – członków ZPRKA – w Waszych środowiskach. Czekamy na Wasze pomysły i propozycje!

Wchodząc w okres Wielkiego Postu, pozostawiam Was z następującą myślą: „Pokój nie jest brakiem chaosu lub konfliktu, ale raczej odnalezieniem się w pośród tego chaosu i pozostaniem spokojnym w swoim sercu”, *John Mroz*. Niech pokój zawita w Waszych sercach!

**Artykuły do marcowego wydania „Narodu Polskiego”  
muszą być nadesłane do redakcji do wtorku, 20 lutego 2018 r.**

## SPECJALNY PROGRAM UBEZPIECZENIOWY Z OKAZJI 145-LECIA ZPRKA



Zjednoczenie Polskie Rzymsko-Katolickie w Ameryce obchodzi w 2018 roku jubileusz 145-lecia służby dla Polonii amerykańskiej. Aby uczcić ten jubileusz, ZPRKA przygotowało specjalny program ubezpieczeniowy - 10 Year Pay Whole Life (stały plan ubezpieczeniowy, opłacany przez 10 lat).

**Oferta obowiązuje od 1 lutego 2018 do 31 grudnia 2018 roku.**

*Nie czekaj, skontaktuj się z nami już dziś!*

**Półroczna składka w wysokości \$145  
opłaci ubezpieczenie w wysokości:**

Oprócz zabezpieczenia drogiej Wam osoby, ten plan ubezpieczeniowy również zapewnia:

- ◆ przyrost wartości gotówkowej;
- ◆ możliwość wzrostu polisy o dywidendy dla ubezpieczonego;
- ◆ gwarancję istnienia polisy przez cały okres życia ubezpieczonego;
- ◆ możliwość wykupienia planu do 62. roku życia;
- ◆ w większości przypadków, bez konieczności badań medycznych.

W celu wykupienia ubezpieczenia, skontaktuj się z lokalnym przedstawicielem ZPRKA lub biurem głównym: [life@prcu.org](mailto:life@prcu.org) lub Agnieszka Bastrzyk, 773-782-2632.

**\*\*Skorzystaj z tego planu i otrzymaj zniżkę \$45 na pierwsze dwie składki!**

Wiek	Mężczyzna	Kobieta
0	\$22,971	\$26,678
1	\$22,326	\$25,887
2	\$21,657	\$25,088
3	\$20,979	\$24,294
4	\$20,307	\$23,520
5	\$19,656	\$22,766
6	\$19,026	\$22,034
7	\$18,413	\$21,332
8	\$17,819	\$20,649
9	\$17,243	\$19,987
10	\$16,683	\$19,346
15	\$14,214	\$16,469
20	\$12,264	\$14,058
25	\$10,572	\$11,994
30	\$9,099	\$10,232
35	\$7,793	\$8,735
40	\$6,664	\$7,469
45	\$5,711	\$6,387
50	\$4,906	\$5,473
55	\$4,208	\$4,713
60	\$3,613	\$4,080

Wszystkie wnioski podlegają rozpatrzeniu i muszą być wysłane do 31 grudnia 2018 r. Nie można połączyć tej oferty z inną ofertą ZPRKA.

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## 43. DOROCZNY WIOSENNY POKAZ MODY I LUNCH

**w niedzielę, 4 marca 2018 r.  
w Glendora Banquets**

10225 S. Harlem Ave, Chicago Ridge, IL

**Drzwi otwarte o godz. 11:00; Lunch o godz. 12 w południe**

**Bilety: \$35 dorośli, \$20 dzieci do lat 10**

Dochód z pokazu przeznaczony zostanie na stypendia dla przyszłorocznych uczestników Balu „Kopciuszek i Księcia”

W sprawie informacji i rezerwacji prosimy dzwonić do:

Liz lub Walter Dynowski tel. (708) 532-1541

## Kalendarz ZPRKA na 2018 r.

**Zamów już dziś! Nakład ograniczony!**

Zachęcamy wszystkich członków do zamawiania kalendarza ZPRKA na rok 2018. Kalendarz będzie dostępny w biurze ZPRKA, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL. Zamówienia można również kierować pocztą elektroniczną na adres: [marketing@prcu.org](mailto:marketing@prcu.org) lub telefonicznie na numer telefonu (773) 782-2632.

W kalendarzu ZPRKA na 2018 r. przedstawiamy znanych sportowców polonijnych, wyróżnionych przez National Polish-American Sports Hall of Fame (NPASHF), którzy inspirują innych do osiągania własnych sukcesów. Mamy nadzieję, że spodoba się Państwu nasz nowy kalendarz! Nakład ograniczony - zamów kalendarz już dziś!



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### Najważniejsze cechy planu:

- gwarantowane oprocentowanie 2,62% przez 24 miesiące
- minimalna pierwsza wpłata - \$25,000
- uzyskane odsetki są naliczane miesięcznie
- możliwość rocznej wypłaty 10%, bez opłat karnych
- seria na okres dwu letni
- dozwolone dodatkowe wpłaty na konto nie przedłużają terminu
- gwarantowane minimum po okresie dwóch lat – 1,5%
- konta zwolnione od wszelkich opłat administracyjnych
- możliwość otwarcia konta w wieku 0-90 lat
- różne opcje kont: Non-Qualified, Traditional IRA, ROTH IRA oraz inne
- pieniądze gromadzone na koncie nie podlegają opodatkowaniu do czasu ich wypłaty
- kary za wcześniejsze wypłaty

Rok 1 - 4%

Rok 2 - 3%

Wypłaty dokonane przed ukończeniem 59 1/2 roku życia, mogą podlegać karom z urzędu skarbowego IRS w wysokości 10%\*

### Dodatkowe informacje:

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## DELEGACJA INSTYTUTU PAMIĘCI NARODWEJ Z WIZYTĄ W MPA I ZPRKA

Chicago, IL - Delegacja Instytutu Pamięci Narodowej (IPN) odwiedziła w środę, 18 stycznia 2018 roku Muzeum Polskie w Ameryce i Zjednoczenie Polskie Rzymsko-Katolickie w Ameryce. Delegacji towarzyszyła grupa nauczycielek reprezentujących Zrzeszenie Nauczycieli Polskich w Ameryce.

Głównym celem wizyty IPN w Chicago było powołanie przy Zrzeszeniu Nauczycieli Polskich w Ameryce „Przystanku Historia” Instytutu Pamięci Narodowej, zbiegającym się z inauguracją obchodów 100-lecia odzyskania przez Polskę niepodległości w Chicago. Celem programu „Przystanek Historia” jest popularyzacja wiedzy o historii najnowszej oraz edukacja historyczna.

W skład delegacji IPN weszli m.in.: dr Jarosław Szarek - Prezes IPN, dr hab. Piotr Artur Kardela - Dyrektor Oddziału IPN w Białymstoku, Adam Hlebowicz - Zastępca Dyrektora BEN IPN, Karol Madaj - Naczelnik Wydziału Edukacji Historycznej, Rafał Pękała - Naczelnik Wydziału Notacji i Opracowań Multimedialnych, Marzena Kruk - Dyrektor Archiwum IPN i dr Mariusz Żuławnik - Zastępca Dyrektora Archiwum IPN.

W programie pobytu delegacji znalazły się: warsztaty historyczne dla uczniów i nauczycieli szkół polonijnych, spotkania z liderami organizacji polonijnych, weteranami i harcerzami oraz z zainteresowanymi mieszkańcami aglomeracji chicagowskiej.

W siedzibie Zjednoczenia, dostojnych gości powitali członkowie zarządu ZPRKA: Joseph A. Drobot, Jr., wiceprezes Micheline Jamiński i sekretarz-skarbnik James Robaczewski, którzy krótko przedstawili gościom historię Zjednoczenia i budynku, w którym mieszczą się biura ZPRKA oraz Muzeum Polskie w Ameryce.

Następnie goście zaproszeni zostali do zwiedzenia Muzeum Polskiego w Ameryce, po którym oprowadzeni zostali przez prezesa MPA Ryszarda Owsianego, dyrektora zarządzającą Małgorzatę Kot, archiwistkę Halinę Misterkę, kierownika biblioteki Iwonę Bożek, historyka Jana Lorysia oraz przewodniczkę Barbarę Kożuchowską.



Delegacja IPN i Związku Nauczycieli Polskich w Ameryce wraz z członkami zarządu i pracownikami MPA

W Archiwum MPA goście mieli okazję obejrzeć unikalne dokumenty dotyczące Komitetu Pomocy Polsce z okresu II wojny światowej oraz Komitetu Narodowego Polskiego i spisów rekrutacyjnych Błękitnej Armii, polskiego kontyngentu wojskowego utworzonego we Francji w czasie I wojny światowej, złożonego z polskich ochotników służących u boku sił sojuszniczych. Dwadzieścia cztery tysiące wolontariuszy, którzy zostali przeszkoleni w obozie Niagara on the Lake w Ontario w Kanadzie, zostało wysłanych do Francji. Jedną z placówek rekrutacyjnych miała siedzibę w budynku ZPRKA.



Goście w Pokoju Paderewskiego

Po zwiedzeniu Sali głównej, Pokoju Paderewskiego i Galerii Sztuki goście zostali zaproszeni do sali konferencyjnej ZPRKA na poczęstunek, w czasie którego mieli okazję przedyskutować możliwości współpracy między IPN i MPA. Prezes IPN dr Jarosław Szarek podziękował ZPRKA i MPA za ciepłe przyjęcie i wieloletnią opiekę nad narodowymi skarbami polskiej historii i kultury.