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PRCUA TO WELCOME DELEGATES AND GUESTS TO THE 62nd PRCUA QUADRENNIAL CONVENTION Edward Hotel, Dearborn, Michigan August 10-13, 2018

On August 9, the PRCUA will welcome delegates to the 62nd Polish Roman Catholic Union of America National Quadrennial Convention at the Edward Hotel and Convention Center in Dearborn, Michigan.

PRCUA Vice President Emeritus Robert Bielenda is the Pre-Convention Committee Chairman and St. Stan's Society #718 of Detroit, Michigan is the Host Society of the 62nd PRCUA Quadrennial Convention.

The Convention provides a valuable opportunity for members to come together as delegates to continue the work of our fraternal organization and to learn about the important changes and plans that will affect the Union on both local and national levels. The election of a new governing body of the PRCUA will take place. These leaders will be tasked with guiding and planning for the future of the PRCUA. May our Patron, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, bless the delegates and their deliberations.



Edward Hotel & Convention Center in Dearborn, MI

CONVENTION SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

12:00 Noon to 8:00 p.m.

DELEGATE REGISTRATION, Lobby-Convention Registration,
Edward Hotel, 600 Town Center Drive, Dearborn, Michigan

7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

PRE-CONVENTION HOSPITALITY RECEPTION sponsored by PRCUA, location TBA

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, Great Lakes Room B & E, Edward Hotel

8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

DELEGATE REGISTRATION, Lobby-Convention Registration, Edward Hotel

10:00 a.m.

BUSES LEAVE for St Sebastian Parish

11:00 a.m.

OPENING MASS, St. Sebastian Parish, 20710 Colgate, Dearborn Heights, MI

Following Mass

LUNCHEON, St. Sebastian Parish

3:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

1ST OFFICIAL BUSINESS SESSION of the 62nd PRCUA Quadrennial Convention,
Edward Hotel, Great Lakes Center Rooms C, D & F

TBA

BREAK FOR DINNER

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11

7:00 a.m.

MASS Edward Hotel, Great Lakes Center Rooms C, D & F

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

BREAKFAST BUFFET, Great Lakes Room B & E, Edward Hotel

8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

DELEGATE REGISTRATION, Lobby-Convention Registration, Edward Hotel

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

2ND OFFICIAL BUSINESS SESSION, Edward Hotel, Great Lakes Center Rooms C, D & F

TBA

LUNCH, Great Lakes Room B & E, Edward Hotel

6:30 p.m.

COCKTAILS, Edward Hotel, Grand Ballroom Foyer

7:30 p.m.

BANQUET DINNER, Edward Hotel, Grand Ballroom

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

BREAKFAST BUFFET, Great Lakes Room B & E, Edward Hotel

9:00 a.m.

FRATERNAL MASS, Edward Hotel, Great Lakes Center Rooms C, D & F

10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

3RD OFFICIAL BUSINESS SESSION, Edward Hotel, Great Lakes Center Rooms C, D & F

1:00 p.m.

FRATERNAL LUNCHEON, Great Lakes Room B & E, Edward Hotel

TBA

ELECTIONS

TBA

BREAK FOR DINNER

MONDAY, AUGUST 13

7:00 a.m.

MASS, Edward Hotel, Great Lakes Center Rooms C, D & F

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, Great Lakes Room B & E, Edward Hotel

TBA

4TH OFFICIAL BUSINESS SESSION, Edward Hotel, Great Lakes Center Rooms C, D & F

All times for business sessions are subject to change. TBA = To be announced



AUGUST

10-13 DEARBORN, MI – 62nd PRCUA QUADRENNIAL CONVENTION from Friday to Monday, Aug. 10-13 at Edward Hotel and Convention Center, 600 Town Center Drive, Dearborn, MI.

15 LANSING, MI – WHITE EAGLE SOC. #2342 POTLUCK AND MEETING on Wed., Aug. 15 (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.

17-18 WOODHAVEN, MI – 64th NATIONAL PRCUA SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT hosted by PRCUA St. Stan's Society #718. See details on pg. 4.

25 LAMBERTVILLE, MI – PRCUA MEMORIAL ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE on Sat., Aug. 25 at 11 a.m. at Maple Grove Golf Course, Secor Rd., Lambertville, MI. See ad below.

SEPTEMBER

3 LABOR DAY – THE PRCUA OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

8 CARLETON, MI – MIXED GOLF OUTING on Sat., Sept. 8 at Thorne Hills Golf Course, 12915 Sumpter Rd., Carleton, MI. Golfers limited to the first 150. Start time at 9:00 a.m. The cost for golfers: \$50 and \$15 for non-golfers. Price includes golf, cart, lunch, dinner and refreshments. Contact Dan Gdowski for information: 734-497-2681 or 734-654-2734.

9 CHICAGO, IL – PRCUA INAUGURAL MASS AND BANQUET on Sun., Sept. 9, 2018. See details to the right.

9 GRANDPARENTS' DAY

16 ARLINGTON HTS., IL – ANNUAL PRCUA FISHING DERBY hosted by District #7 on Sun., Sept. 16 at Busse Lake Fishing Wall, Arlington Hts., IL from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Open to all PRCUA members and non-member friends. Refreshments and complimentary snacks. Prizes for most fish caught in each group. Children ages 1-15 years and seniors 65+ don't need a fishing license. For more information call: Mateusz Bomba at 773-782-2636.

19 LANSING, MI – WHITE EAGLE SOC. #2342 POTLUCK AND MEETING on Wed., Sept. 19 (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.

25 WARREN, MI – ST. JOHN PAUL II SOC. #1593 MEETING on Tues., Sept. 25 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.

Memorial Annual Golf Scramble
Saturday, August 25, 2018

11:00 a.m. (Shotgun Start)
Maple Grove Golf Course:
Secor Rd – Lambertville, Michigan



Detach and Return to Address Below

Division (Please Circle): Men's Division Women's Division Mixed Division
(2men/2women)

COST: \$50 per golfer ☐ golf ☐ Steak Dinner only \$15.00

Names of Golfers:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Return completed entry by **August 19th**

to: PRCUA/President
5255 N. Detroit Ave.
Toledo, Ohio 43612

Questions? Contact:

Rick Kaz - 419-377-7610 or VikkiJean Mixon – 419-351-2698

PRCUA INAUGURAL MASS
and
145th Anniversary
BANQUET

Sunday, September 9, 2018



Mass:
Saint Hedwig Catholic Church
2226 North Hoyne Ave., Chicago, IL
at 3:00 p.m.

Banquet:
Galleria Marchetti
825 West Erie St., Chicago, IL
Cocktails at 5 p.m. Dinner at 6 p.m.

Music by Anthony Kawalkowski Orchestra

Cost: \$ 100 per person
For reservations, contact: Conrad Wiecek
at 773-782-2601 or conrad-wiecek@prcu.org
Reservation deadline – Friday, August 24, 2018

PRCUA Declares
Profitable Second Quarter

Polish Roman Catholic Union of America
Operating Results
For the Quarter Ending June 30, 2018

	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017
INCOME:		
Life and Annuity Sales	10,352,776	8,881,714
Investment Income	5,256,908	5,072,060
Other Income	140,578	171,349
TOTAL INCOME	15,750,262	4,125,123
EXPENSES:		
Life and Annuity	11,961,243	11,195,184
General Expenses	2,581,547	2,539,338
Insurance taxes, licenses, fees	242,633	239,889
TOTAL EXPENSES	14,785,423	13,974,411
NET OPERATING INCOME	964,837	150,711
Dividends to Members (deduct)	75,961	75,793
Net Capital Gain (loss)		3,012,386
NET INCOME (loss)	888,876	3,087,304
SURPLUS ACCOUNT		
Beginning Bal-Dec.31, prior year	11,833,894	7,708,653
Net Income (-loss)	888,876	3,087,304
Change in Reserves	31,664	638,442
Ending Balance as of Statement Date	12,754,434	11,434,399

Second quarter net income can directly be attributed to an increase in premiums from Life Insurance Sales, Annuity Sales and Investment Income.



All articles for the September issue of
Naród Polski, must be submitted
by Tuesday, August 21, 2018.

Chicago, IL - The 4th Annual PRCUA Family Picnic, hosted by Districts #7, #8 and #9, was held on Sunday, June 24, at PACF Grove in Glenwood, IL. For the fourth consecutive year, it provided a great opportunity for PRCUA members and non-members of all ages to come together, enjoy the beautiful summer weather, as well as the many attractions, friendly atmosphere, and plentiful food. It was certainly a memorable experience.

The picnic began with an outdoor Mass celebrated by Rev. Ron Kondziolka, Director of Pastoral Care Services at St. James Hospital & Health Center in Chicago Heights, IL. Serving as lectors were dancers from the Southwest Center of Polish Song and Dance.

After Mass, a transmission was provided for avid soccer fans to watch the Polish national team playing (and unfortunately losing) in the World Championship Cup.

Games and attractions for children were available. Younger children enjoyed face and body painting, games led by clowns Lolo and Lulu, ever popular train rides, breaking a pinata filled with candy, jumping in the air castle, and other games.

Youngsters had fun playing tug-a-war, volleyball, and soccer, and dousing each other with water. Many children and adults took paddle boat rides on the lake to enjoy the scenery and cool down.

The “master chefs” from Districts #7, #8, and #9 grilled plenty of hot dogs, hamburgers, and sausages so they could feed the hungry crowd. Of course, they also made sure there were plenty of cold drinks so no one went thirsty.

In the late afternoon, everyone sang “Happy Birthday” to Richard Jaminski, husband of PRCUA V.P. Micheline Jaminski, and a talented choreographer and dance instructor of southside Chicago dance groups.

Present at the picnic also were President and Mrs. Joseph Drobot, Jr., V.P. Micheline Jaminski and Mr. Richard Jaminski, National Directors James Rustik, Krystyna Lech, Kevin Kucik, Elizabeth Sadus & Anna Krysinski plus candidates contending for the office of PRCUA President: current Secretary-Treasurer James Robaczewski with wife Elaine, and Michael Turkiewicz with wife Nicole, and for the office of the Secretary-Treasurer: Agnieszka Bastrzyk with husband Daniel, and William Marutzky. The candidates took the opportunity to meet and talk to PRCUA members.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Annual PRCUA Family Picnic. See you again next year!

4th Annual PRCUA Family Picnic and Outdoor Mass



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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.

64th PRCUA NATIONAL SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

For PRCUA Members Only - New Members Welcome
Hosted by St. Stan's Society 718 - Woodhaven, MI
August 17-18, 2018

The 64th PRCUA National Softball Tournament will be held on
Friday and Saturday, August 17-18, 2018 at Henry Ford II Ball
Diamond Complex, 23101 Hall Road, Woodhaven, MI.

Out-of-town players and guests accommodations will be at the
Best Western Woodhaven Inn, 21700 West Rd, Woodhaven, MI.
Room rates per night plus tax are: King or Double Standard - \$93.
Make your room reservation as soon as possible, by calling 734-676-
8000, before July 27, 2018 and mention "St. Stan's."

Dan Gdowski and Bob Hojnacki, Chairmen, have finalized the
tournament event schedule as follows:

Friday, August 17

- 6:00 p.m. - Co-Ed Games - Henry Ford II Ball Diamond Complex,
23101 Hall Rd, Woodhaven, MI
- 6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - Welcome Gathering - Best Western
Woodhaven Inn, 21700 West Rd, Woodhaven, MI.
Complimentary draft beer and pizza.

Saturday, August 18

- 9:00 a.m. - Men's/Women's Games - Henry Ford II Ball
Diamond Complex, 23101 Hall Rd, Woodhaven, MI
- 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Lunch served at the fields
- 6:00 p.m. - Awards Banquet - Best Western Woodhaven Inn,
21700 West Rd, Woodhaven, MI. Dinner at no charge.
Discounted cash bar.

Mass - Our Lady of the Woods, 21892 Gudith Rd, Woodhaven, MI,
Saturday 4:00 p.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.

Entry forms must be completed and returned to the Home
Office, together with the \$50.00 entry fee per team. All players must
be PRCUA members in good standing. Each player may only sign
one roster and must submit a Waiver of Liability form. Players must
agree to abide by the PRCUA rules and regulations of good
sportsmanship and fair play on and off the playing fields. Make your
check payable to: **PRCUA Softball**, and mail to: PRCUA Fraternal
Department, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave, Chicago, IL 60642 or enter
online at **www.prcua.org/sports** and pay online at
www.prcua.org/payonline. All entries must be **post-
marked/submitted by August 3, 2018**. For additional information
email: fraternal-department@prcu.org or 773-782-2636.

Check *Naród Polski*, the PRCUA website
(www.prcua.org/sports), or our Facebook page for updates.

Joseph A. Drobot, Jr., President
Micheline I. Jaminski, Vice President
James J. Robaczewski, Secretary-Treasurer

From the Office of the Secretary-Treasurer

James J. Robaczewski, FIC, ALMI, ACS



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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540	Marya Kaczynska	1125 Schuyler St., Utica, NY 13502
565	Antoni Budny	1017 Burnham Ave., Calumet City, IL 60409
849	Kazimierz Szewczyk	2249 Blue Goose, Fenneville, MI 49406
868	Marya Semski	1997 Clinton St., Buffalo, NY 14206
1486	Edward Jankowski	5705 Crossgate, W. Bloomfield, MI 48322
1580	Stanislaw Galabek	23 Crestmont Rd., Verona, NJ 07044
1598	Malgorzata Stelmach	309 Elk Blvd., Des Plaines, IL 60018

Big Brother Lukasz!

You are a big brother now,
Lukasz Srodek! And by the look
on your face it was love at first
sight upon your first encounter
with your new baby sister!

After 6 years of having the
sole attention of his parents,
Rodney and Rachel (nee
Karpinski) Srodek of Hamtramck,
MI, Lukasz joins them in
welcoming new baby sister,
Lillian Antionette, into the family.
Born June 19, 2018, and weighing
7 lbs. 10 oz., Lillian didn't waste
any time vying for some attention
of her own as she was born at 3:33 a.m.



**Lukasz with sister
Lillian Antionette**

In a few short years, Lillian will join her big brother
Lukasz and mom, Rachel, as a member of the PRCUA Polskie
Maki Dance School. Lukasz has been a member of the Polskie
Maki Dance School for the past four years and mom Rachel
was a 2004 graduate of the school. Over the past several
years, Rachel has been a member of Polskie Maki's Alumni
Group and has provided much support to the school. Ciozia
Andrea Karpinski, a 2002 Polskie Maki graduate and current
alumni member has provided much support to her sister
Rachel, especially over the past 9 months getting Lukasz to
and from classes. Lukasz and Lillian are lucky to have such a
special Ciozia!

The Srodeks are Hamtramck royalty, and proud to be
residing and working in Detroit's original Poletown within
the Srodek's family business of fine Polish foods. Proud
grandparents Joe and Cheryl Karpinski are owners of the
Polish Sea League of Hamtramck and would love to visit
with you there! Don't be surprised if you meet Lukasz there
as well. Equally proud are Dziadek and Babcia, Josef and
Aurelia Srodek, 2nd generation owners of the Srodek
Campau Quality Sausage store located on Joseph Campau
Street in Hamtramck with a second location in Sterling
Heights, MI. The Srodek family and business have
been extremely generous with many of the PRCUA
Michigan Dance Schools by supplying goods for
fundraisers and by purchasing ads for many recital
books.

"Witamy" baby Lillian Antionette and
congratulations to the entire Srodek and Karpinski
families from your PRCUA and Polskie Maki
family! May God bless you all!

NEWS FROM PRCUA

#1593 ST. JOHN PAUL II SOCIETY

Youth Bowling Fun Day

On Saturday June 2, PRCUA St. John Paul II Society #1593 of Warren, MI, held its 28th Annual Youth Bowling Fun Day at 5 Star Bowling Center in Sterling Heights, MI. Thirty-five bowlers - ten bumper bowlers and twenty-five regular bowlers - participated and had a fun morning enjoying each other's company. After bowling, everyone enjoyed pizza and pop and shared stories on their morning's bowling adventures. Each bowler selected a prize of their choice from a variety of items and they also received a free raffle ticket for the chance of winning a larger prize.

The children mingled, laughed and enjoyed being with other PRCUA members. As Laura, Director of Halka, stated: her dancers always look forward to Youth Bowling Fun Day each year.

We thank the bowlers for getting up early on a Saturday morning to participate, the parents for chauffeuring the children to the bowling alley, and to the PRCUA Halka Dancers for their many years of involvement in this fraternal activity with St. John Paul II Society.

A special "thank you" goes out to the co-ordinators, Barb and Christopher Ozog and their assistants, Celeste Grabowski, Diane Godin, Cindy Cooper, and Wally Ozog. Youth Bowling Fun Day is always held on the first Saturday of June. We are looking forward to seeing everyone next year, plus many more participants. This event is open to members of all PRCUA Societies.

Family and Friends Picnic

On Sunday, June 24, PRCUA Society #1593 held its second annual "Family and Friends" picnic at Veterans Park in St. Clair Shores, MI. The day was cloudy and cool, with the prediction of showers, which most likely scared a lot of people away.

The crowd was small but those in attendance enjoyed themselves, especially the children who played grass and table games, had fun on the playground equipment, ran around the park and splashed through the water splash pad. It started raining around noon. The children didn't care. They played in the rain, got wet and didn't think anything of it. They loved it!

An adult horseshoe tournament was to take place but, because of the rain and limited attendance, it was cancelled. Instead, some of the members managed to play a corn hole game in between rain drops. Others had the opportunity to relax and socialize with each other, which is the purpose of such a fraternal activity. A free lunch of hot dogs and several different sides was provided for all in attendance.

Except for the rain, which completely stopped when the picnic was over, those present had a great time. Hopefully, next year the weather will cooperate and more members will attend. Remember, picnics are fun and they are a time to let the stress stay home.

Thank you to Barb and Christopher Ozog for being Co-chairpersons, to John Godin who was in charge of the Horseshoe Tournament and to all who came out despite the rain.

Graduation Time

It is graduation time and many of our members have graduated. We congratulate all of them and wish them the best in their future endeavors. We don't know who they all are but we would like to formally acknowledge some who have received scholarships from our Society.

Ashley Fruehauf, who has received a number of scholarships from St. John Paul II Society, graduated from Grand Valley State University with a B. S. degree in Natural Resources Management.

Three of our members have graduated from high school: Megan Milot graduated from the Utica School District in Utica, MI and will attend Paul Mitchell School of Beauty; Ryan Ozog graduated from Stevenson High School in Livonia, MI and will attend Schoolcraft Community College; Taylor Withers, a home-school graduate, will be attending Great Lakes Christian College in Lansing, MI. She also received a full scholarship for tuition but not room-and-board. Congratulations, Taylor!

These students are beginning a new journey in their lives and we wish them all the best. We also hope that they will never forget their Polish heritage, remember how the PRCUA has helped them, and get involved with the programs of the oldest Polish American fraternal.

PRCUA History Booklet

Joann Ozog would like to inform all PRCUA members that a booklet for the 145th Anniversary of PRCUA, which includes a brief history and lists of officers over 145 years, has been written by yours truly and Kathryn Rosypal Romani, retired executive editor of *Naród Polski*.



Ashley Fruehauf

Taylor Withers

Megan Milot

Ryan Ozog

Many of our members, adults as well as younger members, do not know the history of the PRCUA, so Joann and Kathryn decided to write a booklet that will give our members this information in a condensed version. The booklet will be available after September from the Home Office in Chicago Illinois.

Submitted by:
Joann Ozog, PRCUA #1593 Fin. Secretary,
and Christopher Ozog



- In what year was the PRCUA established?**
 - a. 1918
 - b. 1873
 - c. 1900
- Where was the PRCUA established?**
 - a. Chicago
 - b. Philadelphia
 - c. Detroit
- Who was Leopold Moczygemba?**
 - a. Priest who established the first Polish settlement and founder of the first Polish-American Roman Catholic parish in the U.S.A. in Panna Maria, Texas in 1854.
 - b. Polish architect who came to the United States in 1930 to build the Golden Gate Bridge.
 - c. Author of the first written History of Polish-Americans.
- What does the PRCUA do?**
 - a. Sell life insurance and annuity products.
 - b. Sponsors Polish folk dance and language schools.
 - c. Offers members fraternal benefits such as scholarships, cultural events and sport tournaments.
 - d. All of the above.
- Which well known institution did PRCUA establish in 1935?**
 - a. Copernicus Foundation
 - b. Polish Museum of America
 - c. National Polish-American Sports Hall of Fame
 - d. All of the above
- What is the name of PRCUA's official publication since 1897?**
 - a. Dziennik Zjednoczenia
 - b. Pielgrzym
 - c. Naród Polski
- Who is the current PRCUA President?**
 - a. Joseph A. Drobot, Jr.
 - b. Wallace M. Ozog
 - c. Edward G. Dykla
- Which PRCUA Quadrennial Convention will be held in August 2018?**
 - a. 55th
 - b. 62nd
 - c. 78th
- How many Districts is the PRCUA divided into?**
 - a. 6
 - b. 22
 - c. 10
- Where is the PRCUA Home Office located?**
 - a. Chicago, IL
 - b. Detroit, MI
 - c. Buffalo, NY

MEMBERS OF ST. AGATHA SOCIETY
#671 ATTEND REUNION

Mitchell, SD - On June 8th, members of the Brewster Family from St. Agatha Society #671 where Susan Brewster as Financial Secretary, attended the 130th Anniversary Reunion of Saint Joseph's Church in Grenville, South Dakota.



Stained glass window in St. Joseph's Church in Grenville, SD with Elreda Brewster's grandfather's name on it



Elreda Brewster (center) with friend Red Dubisaur (seated) and Christine, Tom, Gerard and Susan



happy to catch up on the latest family news.

Later, the family drove to New England, ND, to visit with more family and friends on June 12th and 13th.

Finally, the Brewsters returned to Mitchell, SD. The town of Mitchell is famous for its "World's Only Corn Palace," which was built on its main street in 1892, when the town was only 12 years old and had just 3,000 residents. Each year, approximately 500,000 tourists visit Mitchell to see this amazing 126-year-old architectural feat.

The entire Brewster family, long-time loyal PRCUA members, feel greatly blessed to have had the chance to visit with and travel with family members and share their amazing family history that is intimately involved in the founding and building of St. Joseph's Church in Grenville, SD.

Elreda was the first PRCUA deputy to be licensed in the State of Illinois to sell PRCUA products!



The Brewster Family: Elreda (front) with Christine, Susan, John and Betty, Thomas, Gerard, James and Theresa Glozeris

145TH ANNIVERSARY
LIFE INSURANCE SPECIAL
10 PAY LIFE

COVERAGE FOR A SEMI-ANNUAL PREMIUM PAYMENT OF \$145

ISSUE AGE	MALE	FEMALE
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
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*Embracing the Past.....
Celebrating the Future*

Sterling Hts., MI - On Sunday, June 24, 2018, Zajączek Dance Ensemble demonstrated their extraordinary dance skills at the American Polish Culture Center in Troy, MI. The audience, was comprised of members of the Polish Genealogical Society of Michigan. This distinct organization promotes and encourages research in Polish genealogy, as well as the preservation of historical materials which aid in the documentation of family histories. Board of Director member Frank Slanczka and his wife Karen, graciously invited the Ensemble to their gathering to perform and provide support to an organization that truly exists to help us remember our Polish "roots." Also in attendance were Rev. Canon Walter J. Ptak, National Chaplain for the PRCUA, Colleen Bonkowski, group Director, and dance group choreographers Rachael Kasperek and Tricia Dennis. For more information about the PGSM please send requests to the following e-mail address: info@pgsm.org.

*Submitted
by: Karrie
Westphal,
Secretary,
Zajączek
Dance
Ensemble*



Zajączek Ensemble with Polish Genealogical Society of Michigan banner



Zajączek Dancers with PRCUA National Chaplain, Rev. Canon Walter Ptak



**PRCUA Dist. #10
Director Colleen
Bonkowski**



*With Glory, Praise, and Honor.....
we CELEBRATE
our Polish Heritage*



Sterling Hts., MI - On Sunday, July 15, 2018 Zajączek Dance Ensemble showcased their talents as they performed at the 32nd Annual American-Polish Festival held on the grounds of the American Polish Century Club in Sterling Heights, MI. The afternoon began with a traditional Polish Mass celebrated by Father Roman Pasieczny from St. Lawrence Catholic Church and school in Utica, MI. As always, Father Roman is passionate about Poland and our Polish heritage. The Ensemble was actively involved in the Mass, along with the Knights of Columbus, the American Polish Century Club Choir and our own Polish Queen, Erica Giehl. Our 2018 Zajączek Ensemble graduates also lent a hand in the Mass processional, specifically Kacy Shaheen, Mary Katherine Kozak and Eric Manczyk. Accordingly, 2014 Zajączek Dance Ensemble Alumnus Megan Manczyk also graciously volunteered her time to help with our younger dance school members, as well as partner with her brother for one last festival display! After Mass, the Ensemble proceeded to the "big tents" to present their Polka talents to a welcoming audience. From our little ones to our big ones, all of our dancers made us so proud! Thank you everyone for supporting our dance group, as well as the Festival. Until next year, God bless.

*Submitted by: Karrie Westphal
Secretary, Zajączek Dance Ensemble*

Pictures by: Mrs. Jacqueline Dobrzycki Manczyk (more photos on pg. 9)





PRCUA SCHOOL REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR 2018/2019 SCHOOL YEAR

ILLINOIS

SOUTHWEST CENTER OF POLISH SONG AND DANCE

Registration: August 23
from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Our Lady of the Woods
10731 W 131st St, Orland Park, IL
Contact: Anna Kraszewski, Managing Director
773-972-0012
swcenterofpolishdancing@gmail.com

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Registration: August 26
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608 Sobieski St. Lemont, IL
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Contact: 630-669-9058 or 630-669-9700

WESOLY LUD POLISH FOLK DANCE COMPANY

Age: High school and up
Contact: Richard Jaminski,
Director/Choreographer 708-288-7162

INDIANA

ST. RAPHAEL KALINOWSKI POLISH SCHOOL & MAŁA POLSKA DANCERS

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Old school building - Carmelite Fathers
1628 N. Ridge Rd., Munster, IN
Contact: Malgorzata Blachut, School President
219-613-5148

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Tuesday September 4
Thursday September 6
ADULTS, TEEN, CHILDREN 5 and over
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Tuesday 6:30 Children
PRCUA 5255 N. Detroit
Thursday 6:30 till 8:30
Children, Teen Adult
1700 N. Reynolds, Toledo Ohio
contact@Echoesofpolandfolksongdance.com
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Contact: 419-531-8658

HENRYK SIENKIEWICZ POLISH SCHOOL, Brook Park, Ohio

will start registration on August 13.
School starts Friday, Sept. 7, 6:30 p.m.
Contact: Ewa Wiechec 1-440-537-1485 or
Facebook: Henryk Sienkiewicz Polish School.

MICHIGAN

ROGALIN DANCE TROUPE

Classes meet Tuesday evenings beginning
September 11th at PRCUA #162
1430 Oak Street Wyandotte, MI
Boys & Girls ages 3-18
Contact: Lisa Brandt (734)775-7987
lisabrandt31@gmail.com

HALKA DANCERS

Registration/first class: Sat., September 15
Our Lady Queen of Heaven-Good Shephard
Detroit, Michigan.
Ages 2-16 years
Classes will be held on Saturday mornings
from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., depending on the
age of the dancer.
Contact: Director Laura Hejza
lhejza@comcast.net

MALBORK DANCE GROUP

Open house: September 13
from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Ages 3-18 years
Enrollment open now, will close October 11,
2018 for the Spring Recital.
Practices will be held Thursdays
from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
at 6th St. Hall, Grand Rapids, MI.
Contact: Director Jen Macek, 269-491-0028
malborkdancegroup@gmail.com
Facebook: PRCUA Malbork Dance-Grand Rapids

POLSKIE MAKI DANCE SCHOOL

Registration and first class: September 22 Classes
held on Saturdays
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Ages 3 to 18 years
Immaculate Conception Catholic School
29500 Westbrook, Warren, MI 48092
Contact: Maria Jalkiewicz 586-979-5164

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September, starting September 6, 2018
Call for the time schedule of lessons.
St. John the Baptist Hall
26123 McDonald, Dearborn Heights
Contact: Rose Ann Lackey, Director
313-274-0183 or roseann@yahoo.com

WIELICZKA DANCE ENSEMBLE

Registration: August 30, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
PLAV Post 16
25222 W. Warren Rd., Dearborn Heights, MI
Children ages 3 years to high school seniors
Classes are held on Thursdays 6:00-9:00 p.m.
depending on the age of the dancer.
Contact: School Director Kristi Mihalic
734-455-3504

ZAJĄCZEK

Registration: September 13,
Classes meet Thursday nights 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.
American Polish Century Club
33204 Maple Lane, Sterling Hts., MI
Contact: Colleen Bonkowski, Director,
586-219-1982
zajaczekdance@yahoo.com
Facebook-Zajaczek Dance Ensemble

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Rogalin Dance Troupe's Activities

Wyandotte, MI - The Rogalin Dance Troupe held their 49th Annual Dance Recital "Career Day" on Saturday, April 14th at Allen Park High School. The dancers performed tap, jazz, and lyrical routines to songs depicting different careers such as accountants, artists, and models. The second portion was a tribute to graduate and assistant instructor Natalie Walsh. Her fellow dancers from the Senior Class performed the Polonez for her, followed by her wonderful speech complimenting the PRCUA dance program, and what it has done for her, as well as how much she enjoyed it. The final portion opened with groups one through five singing the Polish

National Anthem. Regional and national dances like the Krakowiak, Trojak, Lubelski Medley, Oberek, Goralski and a Rzeszow Suite were performed by the dancers. Dancers were awarded for 5-, 10-, and 15-year participation, as well as perfect attendance and one absence. Afterwards a dinner was held at the PRCUA Soc. #162 Hall to conclude the festivity. Lisa Brandt, the new 2017-18 director, did a wonderful job in preparing the activities and Janet Vilag, longtime Rogalin Dance instructor, was the Mistress of Ceremonies.

May 25th did not take long to arrive when the dancers had a great time dancing at Polish American Night at Comerica Park! They made the big screen and got to watch the Tigers beat the Chicago White Sox. The fireworks afterward were amazing.

The 28th of May brought our dancers to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cemetery to participate in the annual procession and Mass honoring our veterans who gave their lives for our freedom.

The Independence Day 4th of July Parade is always a fun event in Wyandotte. Our dancers represented Poland down Biddle Avenue doing the Polka in 98-degree weather. It sure was a hot day but our turnout was great!

We have several more events to follow this summer and can't wait to perform for the National Convention, as well as the Our Lady of Scapular Parish Festival on August 24th.

Submitted by: Lisa Brandt



Group 1



Group 2



Group 3



Group 4



Above: Rogalin at the Polish American Night at Comerica Park



Rogalin at the 4th of July celebration



Group 5



Rogalin Seniors



Rogalin Dance Troupe Recital

Gwiazda Dancers Late June & Early July Happenings

Hamtramck, MI - Summer days might get hazy, but they haven't been lazy for the PRCUA Gwiazda Dancers. Like many Michiganders, the PRCUA Gwiazda Dancers headed "up north" toward the end of June, 2018 to attend Polka Fest in Cedar, MI.

Located 260 miles north of Detroit, for the past 37 years, Cedar has hosted its annual Polka Fest. The 2018 edition of Polka Fest was held from June 21-24. Members of the Gwiazda Dancers participated in the weekend's Polka festivities.

Gwiazda camped at Polish Heritage Farms in Cedar, (you can find them on Facebook). Camping had all the trappings of an outdoor adventure: an *ognisko* (campfire), outdoor cooking, swimming, and a trip to the nearby sand dunes.

Run by Gwiazda alumna, Kathleen Bittner and her husband Tom Koch, Polish Heritage Farms is located on 14 acres and is committed to providing quality, sustainable, organic meats and produce. In addition to Polish Heritage Farms, Ms. Bittner runs the Cedar location of the Polish Art Center (www.polishartcenter.com). Her parents are Raymond and Joan Bittner, long-time proprietors of the Polish Art Center in Hamtramck, MI.

At the Polka Fest, Gwiazda participated in the Polka Fest Parade through downtown Cedar. They also presented their Polka, Oberek, and the Krakowiak under the Polka Fest Polka Tent. The performances were well received by the crowds.

After a weekend of experiencing "pure Michigan," members of Gwiazda returned home with maybe a touch of sunburn and fond summer memories of their time with the Ensemble.

June gave way to July and Gwiazda's trip to Poland was just around the corner. Everyone was amazed that something practiced for and planned toward for two years was almost here. The feeling was akin to waiting for Christmas or planning your wedding - what seemed so far away is suddenly here.

On Sunday, July 8, 2018, Gwiazda had its second-to-last practice before the group headed to Poland. They spent the first half of the practice working on the numbers that would be presented at the Children's Festival in Iwonicz Zdrój, Poland. The second half was reserved for a special treat after a hot dance practice - ice cream sundaes. During the ice cream portion of practice, the dancers spent time coordinating with their Iwonicz Zdrój roommates name posters for their rooms during the festival. Needless to say, glitter and puffy paint abounded and Fortnite was referenced.

Next on the schedule for Gwiazda? Poland and the Children's Festival in Iwonicz

Zdrój for the very first time! The dancers are all very excited and looking forward to experiencing all that Poland and the Festival have to offer. The Festival presents the group with - for many dancers - a once-in-a-lifetime dream-come-true experience that they will forever remember. What a great opportunity thanks to being a member of the PRCUA!

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



Gwiazda performing at Cedar Polka Fest



Gwiazda Dancers at Polish Heritage Farms

The Polish Presence in American Screen Images makes debut in Poland

The Polish Presence in American Screen Images by Joseph W. Zurawski made its debut in Poland on June 8, 2018 in Warsaw. The work published by the Polish Museum of America documents more than 1300 films shown in America that include a Polish American character or make reference to a Polish cultural phrase or event. Films with positive images of Polish Americans are featured, as are those with degrading "jokes" or slurs.

Bogdan Puksza, executive director of the Polish American Chamber of Commerce along with other dignitaries, attended the grand opening of the Art Deco Wola building in Warsaw. Puksza presented a copy of Zurawski's book to the Rev. Andrzej Kukla, pastor of St. Clement Hofbauer, who consecrated the building.



The Polish Presence in American Screen Images book displayed in Kraków
(Photo: Artur Tlustochowski)

While in Poland, Puksza also visited the Krakow office of Terra Casa that designed the Art Deco Apartment in Warsaw. There he presented a copy of *The Polish Presence in American Screen Images* to Magdalena Pawela, design engineer for the Warsaw project. Both Kukla and Pawela commented that they were surprised to discover that Polish references were so prevalent in American films.

The book can be purchased at the Polish Museum of America, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave. Chicago, Illinois 60642. (See order form below.)

All proceeds from the sale of *The Polish Presence in American Screen Images* benefit the Polish Museum of America.



Mariusz Haladyj, Undersecretary of State in the Polish Ministry of Entrepreneurship and Technology (l) holding a copy of the book with attorney Mark Grzymala (r), the Vice President of the PACC Board of Directors at PACC offices

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Sept 16	Polish Fest, Michigan City, IN

Polish historical figures worth knowing

Józef Piłsudski couldn't have done it alone!

The Faces of Polish Independence

By Robert Strybel, Warsaw Correspondent

Warsaw – Most Pol-Ams have heard about Józef Piłsudski, and probably quite a few would be able to say a thing or two about him. In spite of the central role he played in regaining Poland's independence in 1918, he couldn't have done it alone. Hopefully the following thumbnail sketches will help bring his achievements, and the contributions of other key figures of that period, into sharper focus.



Jozef Pilsudski

nevertheless would probably have been far worse off without Piłsudski's forceful, albeit often-controversial leadership.



Ignacy Jan Paderewski

Paderewski free Poland's prime minister and diplomatic chief. In 1922, Paderewski withdrew from politics and returned to music.



Roman Dmowski



Gen. Jozef Haller



Wojciech Kofranty

JÓZEF PIŁSUDSKI (1867-1935): The creator of the Polish Legions that fought for Poland's freedom in World War I. After Poland declared its independence on November 11th, Piłsudski became its supreme military commander and chief of state. The country's unruly political scene forced him into early retirement, but when he saw the growing instability as a threat to national security, in 1926 he led a coup d'état, replacing the president and government with his own loyal supporters. He was criticized by the opposition for jailing political foes who he suspected of subversive or destabilizing activities. Sandwiched in, as it was, between the growing might of Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia, Poland

IGNACY JAN PADEREWSKI (1860-1941): Already a world-renowned composer and piano virtuoso when he joined the struggle for independent Poland during World War I. He was active in the Paris-based Polish National Committee, lobbying for Poland's resurrection and in Polish War Relief fundraisers. Paderewski toured the U.S. appealing to Polonia to join General Haller's Army (see below) and fight for Poland's re-emergence. He persuaded President Woodrow Wilson to support Poland's independence. Together with National Democrat leader Roman Dmowski, he pled Poland's case at the 1919 Paris Peace Conference and signed the Versailles Treaty. Piłsudski appointed Ignacy Jan

ROMAN DMOWSKI (1864-1939): The founder and leader of the National Democratic Party, a right-wing nationalist movement, he was president of the Paris-based Polish National Committee and a key figure in the fight for Poland's independence. Together with Paderewski, a National Democrat sympathizer, Dmowski represented Poland at the 1919 Paris Peace Treaty, which established a new European order in the wake of World War I. In Free Poland he briefly served as foreign minister, but in the Sejm (Parliament) Dmowski led the anti-Piłsudski opposition. He authored numerous works expounding the National Democratic ideology, which advocated a geographically compact and ethnically homogeneous Poland.

GENERAL JÓZEF HALLER (1873-1960): Originally an officer of the Austrian occupation forces, he later joined Piłsudski's Legions. He commanded the Polish Army set up in France, later popularly known as "Haller's Blue Army" owing to its pale-blue French uniforms. Haller's force was mainly composed of émigré Poles from different countries. The Polish Falcons of America played a significant role in helping recruit a 20,000-strong Polish force to fight for Poland's freedom. Haller led his army to Poland, playing a major role in liberating the city of Lwów from Ukrainian rebels and routing the invading Red Army in 1920. Like Paderewski, he favored Dmowski over Piłsudski, strongly opposing Piłsudski's 1926 coup.

WOJCIECH KORFANTY (1873-1939): A Christian Democrat, he began his advocacy of Polish national rights in the Prussian-occupied Śląsk (Silesia) region as a member of the Prussian Regional Assembly and Reichstag (Prussian National Parliament). He was active in the internationally mandated plebiscite commission, which would allow local residents to decide whether they wished to be part of Poland or Germany, as well as leading two Silesian Uprisings against German rule. Largely as a result of his leadership, newly-independent Poland ultimately received at least a portion of the coal-rich industrial region of Śląsk. He briefly served as deputy prime minister in 1923 but ran afoul of Piłsudski's heavy-handed tactics and fled the country to avoid imprisonment.

WINCENTY WITOS (1874-1945): A leader of Polish peasants in the Austrian partition zone (Galicia), he served in the Galician regional assembly and the Austrian Reichstag's (Upper House). On the eve of Independence, he was appointed the head of the Polish Liquidation Commission intended to maintain order in Galicia and Cieszyn Silesia during their re-incorporation in independent Poland. A member of the Sejm in 1920-22, between 1922 and 1926 he served as prime minister on three separate occasions, and it was his government that was overthrown by Piłsudski's 1926 coup. Imprisoned for his opposition activities, he later went into exile in Czechoslovakia and returned to Poland in 1939, only to be arrested by the invading Germans.



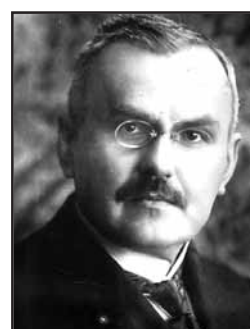
Wincenty Witos

IGNACY DASZYŃSKI (1866-1936): From 1897 to 1918, he served as a socialist member of the Austrian Parliament. In the run-up to World War I, he worked closely with Piłsudski, then also a socialist who called for the re-establishment of Polish independence. A co-founder of the Paris-based Polish National Committee, he was a member of the Polish Liquidation Commission headed by Witos. On November 7, 1918, he set up a provisional Polish government in Lublin and served as its prime minister for several days before turning it over to Piłsudski. A Sejm member between 1919 and 1930, he was deputy prime minister in one of Witos' cabinets and marshal (speaker) of the Sejm. A supporter of the 1926 coup, he later turned against Piłsudski and withdrew from politics after 1930.



Ignacy Daszynski

WŁADYSŁAW GRABSKI (1874-1938): A member of the Russian Duma (Parliament), as a supporter of National Democracy, he later joined the Polish National Committee. On two occasions, he briefly served as Poland's prime minister but his principal claim to fame was his 1924 monetary reform, which saved the country from debilitating run-away inflation. Given special powers by the government to deal with the crisis, he slapped an emergency tax on better-to-do citizens, beefed-up overall tax collection, slashed spending and established the Bank of Poland. Above all, he replaced the grossly over-inflated Polish Mark with the złoty whose exchange rate was set at 5.18 zlotys to \$1. It remained a stable currency down to the outbreak of World War II.



Wladyslaw Grabski

EUGENIUSZ KWIATKOWSKI (1888-1974): A member of Piłsudski's Polish Legions, politically he came into his own only after the 1926 coup and held cabinet posts in eight successive governments. He was best known for his major contributions to pre-war Poland's economic development. His achievements included turning the small fishing village of Gdynia into a major Baltic seaport. He also created the Polish Merchant Marine and launched construction of the Central Industrial Region centered around the newly-created city of Stalowa Wola. It was situated in south-central Poland, as far away from the borders of Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany as possible, but its construction was interrupted by the outbreak of World War II.



Eugeniusz Kwiatkowski

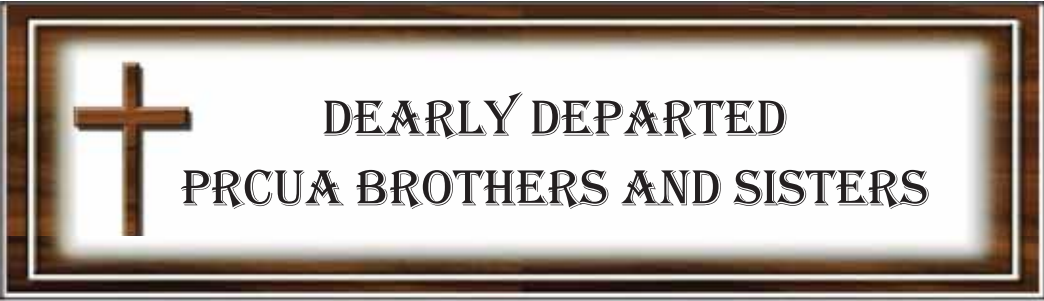
PRCUA Dance Groups Send Greetings from Iwonicz Zdrój

In mid-July 2018, PRCUA Vice President Micheline Jaminski traveled to Iwonicz Zdrój, Poland, as a guest of the Rzeszów Branch of *Stowarzyszenie Wspólnota Polska*, the organizers of the 10th International Festival of Children's Folk Ensembles. This year, six PRCUA dance groups participated in the festival: *Wesoły Ludek* of the Southwest Center of Polish Song and Dance (Orland Park, IL) and *Polanie Dancers* of St. John Paul II Polish School (Lemont, IL) - for both it was the 5th such festival; *Polonia Ensemble* (Chicago, IL) - participating for the 3rd time; and - for the FIRST TIME - from Michigan: *Halka-Zajęczek Dancers* (Detroit), *Gwiazda* (Hamtramck) and *Opole* (Warren). Total dancers and staff (not

including parents): 145 - reminiscent of PRCUA's 145th Anniversary! News and reflections from the Iwonicz Zdrój Festival will be featured in the upcoming issues of *Naród Polski* and posted on the PRCUA website.



PRCUA dance groups after Mass at the church in Iwonicz Zdrój



Member	Society	State	Member	Society	State
Biros, Josephine	1615	PA	Niewinski, Henry	27	FL
Dajos, Robert L.	1580	MI	Novak, Marie	317	IL
Daly, Jane S.	658	MA	Nowacki, Edward	527	MD
Daszkielewicz, Thaddeus	1486	PA	Ostrowski, Barbara	87	MI
Davis, Anna	72	MO	Piekara, Sophie H.	715	NY
Davison, Jeanette	1507	MI	Pietrzak, Eleonore	582	MI
Fabin, Mary Virgina	540	NY	Piowar, Julian	308	IL
Galewski, Florence	1122	NY	Polanski, Helen M.	87	MI
Germain, Lorrain	87	MI	Raczynski, Ralph F.	1593	MI
Glowacki, Louis	1004	IL	Radon, Dorothy A.	2148	OH
Golba, Irene V.	227	OH	Rozga, Thomas P.	2303	FL
Gorczyca, Thomas J.	1591	OH	Rychtarczy, Stephe T.	475	IL
Hahn, William C.	237	PA	Sak, Josephine	1591	OH
Henningsen, Jeanette P.	450	MO	Savich, Sylvia V.	1593	MI
Janoski, Michele J.	2021	PA	Skinkus, Geraldine	880	IL
Kaczmarczyk, Angelena M.	308	IL	Skrobacz, Helen L.	540	NY
Kaczmarowski, Ruth	1202	WI	Slabowska, Albina	1000	IL
Kapa, Adeline R.	278	IL	Smith, Wanda	2021	PA
Kielbowicz, Czeslawa	880	IL	Spooner, Mae	120	NJ
Kos. Phyllis T.	549	MA	Swedie, Irene	1000	IL
Kowalski, Joseph M.	2001	PA	Szczesny, Robbin Lee	78	MI
Lenartowicz, Marlene Jean	896	RI	Tomasiewicz, Marya	317	AK
Lesnevec, Stella	2015	PA	Urbanski, Eleanor J.	2220	OH
Lewandowski, Eugene	119	PA	Vansach, Barbara	2293	PA
Line, James Lester	337	IN	Vernoski, Thomas	1380	PA
Markivich, Bertha	1003	PA	Warshall, Helen A.	122	IL
Martines, Katherine	2100	OH	Wroblewski, Ralph	2109	OH
Misczak, Ellen	224	MN	Zioltek, Florence	2013	PA
Monteiro, Teofilo	2011	PA	Zipp, Dorothy	2109	KY
Moody, Stella C.	1094	MA	Zolkowski, Regina	1591	OH
Mularski, Walter F.	359	MA	Zonca, Martin C.	718	MI

May they rest in eternal peace.



DR. THADDEUS RADZILOWSKI
PASSED AWAY
1938 - 2018

Dr. Thaddeus C. Radzilowski (80) passed away on July 20, 2018. He was born on Feb. 4, 1938 in Detroit, MI.

Dr. Radzilowski was a highly accomplished historian and academic studying Poland and Central and Eastern Europe, author of countless manuscripts on these topics. Over the course of his rich academic career, he taught at the University of Michigan, Madonna University, Heidelberg College, and Southwest Minnesota State University. He also served as the President of St. Mary College.

In 2003, Dr. Radzilowski co-founded the Piast Institute with Virginia Skrzyniarz. As President of Piast, Dr. Radzilowski focused the organization as a major research center, one of U.S. Census Information Centers, and as a representative of Poland and Polish-Americans in the United States, with worldwide network of accomplished fellows. Under his leadership, the Institute produced position papers, school curricula, research reports, conducted surveys, organized conferences and exhibits, and was very involved in the life of American Polonia. He also cultivated many relationships with Polish universities and institutions.

He was a corresponding member of the Polish Academy of Sciences (PAN); served as an advisor and consultant to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and the U.S. Bureau of the Census; was a member of the Ford Foundation Commission on Ethnicity on American Life, Polish National Congress (MI Director), Saint Mary’s College, Orchard Lake (President Emeritus), The Polish Review (Editorial Board), University of Michigan (Professor), and was a past President of the Upper Midwest Ethnic Studies Association. Mr. Radzilowski was also a member of PRCUA Soc. #798. His son, John Radzilowski, is the author of the *The Eagle & The Cross: A History of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America*.

Dr. Radzilowski received many awards for his academic work, community involvement, and leadership. In 1999, the President of Poland presented Dr. Radzilowski with the Cavaliers Cross of the Polish Order of Merit for distinguished contributions to the dissemination of Polish culture in the world.

Dr. Radzilowski was a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces, who served his country in Vietnam. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen, three sons, John, Paul and Stefan, grandchildren Radek and Diana, sisters Fran and Cynthia, and brothers, Norbert and Fred.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday July 25th at St. Gerald Catholic Church in Farmington, MI, followed by an interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield, MI.

Please keep Dr. Radzilowski and his family in your prayers.

PRCUA Members Show
their Polish American Pride
at Polish Heritage Night

Chicago, IL – PRCUA Officers and their spouses, Directors Kevin Kucik (D-7) and Krystyna Lech (D-8), some Home Office employees and a group of PRCUA members enjoyed a baseball game at Polish Heritage Night. It was held on Wednesday, June 27, at Guaranteed Rate Field in Chicago, IL. The Chicago White Sox faced the Minnesota Twins and won, to the delight of our members.

The PRCUA was very proud to see dancers from Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company perform at the entrance gate and on the field. Some of our members also marched in the pre-game parade on the field.



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Polish-as-a-Second-Language Classes at St. Raphael Kalinowski Polish School

In the next school year 2018-19, St. Raphael Kalinowski Polish School in Munster, IN will offer a new class: Polish-as-a-Second-Language, for children 7-12 years old. Classes will be held on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Space is limited, so if you would like more information about registration for this class, please contact Mrs. Blachut at 219-613-5148.

Higher Perspectives



*By Fr. Eric Orzech,
St. Stanislaus Parish
& St. Casimir Parish,
Cleveland, OH*

REFLECTIONS ON 25 YEARS

On May 29, 1993, in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Cleveland, Ohio, the Most Reverend Anthony M. Pilla saw fit to ordain me to the priesthood of Jesus Christ, unworthy though I am. With time flying by as it always seems to do, I turn around to find this year of our Lord 2018 to be the observance of my Silver Jubilee as a priest. The progress of time, as it should for all of us, also affords insights and perspectives which may not be so obvious at the time as they are in retrospect.

It was Memorial Day weekend and the weather was threatening. At 10 a.m. on May 29th, however, things cleared-up nicely so the procession into the Cathedral could take place outside, accompanied by the joyful peal coming from the belfry. So many priests and people came from all over - perhaps they wanted to make a strong presence since there was to be only one priest ordained for the Diocese that year. Praise God, our Diocese has since been blessed with a healthy revival of vocations. The music was beautiful as always and the ceremonies duly reflective of our Cathedral's solemnity. There was a wonderful reception put on by the Di Borally family at their beautiful Casa that evening. The altar decoration which graced the top of my parents' wedding cake was refashioned to be on top of my ordination cake... made from scratch by Uncle Albert himself... he just removed the wedding couple, leaving the priest and the altar!

The next day was like an oasis - sunny and mild - and perfect for a First Solemn Mass. Again, family and friends gathered, this time at my home parish of SS. Peter and Paul in Garfield Heights. It was Pentecost Sunday and the forty-some priests looked extra striking in their vibrant red vestments. My friends Bishops Alfred Jolson from Reykjavik and Bernard Mabula from Tanzania were there (!) along with Abbot Jerome Koval, OSB, from St. Andrew Abbey in Cleveland. Msgr. Walter Ziembra, my spiritual director from my college days at Orchard Lake, came in to preach a stirring homily in English and Polish. A wonderful reception followed in the Parish Hall with lots of homemade food and afterward all of the out-of-towners adjourned to my family home for further fellowship.

And then, it seems like I woke up today to write this article - and all of my five assignments as Parochial Vicar and three assignments as Administrator - have just flown by. Now, here I am, at my Pastorates of the Shrine Church of St. Stanislaus and Historic St. Casimir Church for over six years already. But, along the way, there were the wonderful people and priests, the hard work but also the joy-filled experiences to go with all of the stuff of life of every kind which makes the priesthood so unique. It's a testimony to their goodness and esteem for the priesthood that so many people from St. Gabriel in Concord, St. Columbkille in Parma, St. Therese in Garfield Hts., St. Bernadette in Westlake, St. Peter the Apostle in Lorain, and St. John Cantius in Cleveland still make it a point to keep in touch, visit, and offer their support in so many ways.

The fact that I have this article to write is a perfect transition into another large part of these past years: Chaplaincies and Extra-Parochial assignments. It all started out with my being named Chaplain for the Ohio Chapter of the Pope John Paul II Foundation. Before you knew it, I was also Chaplain to the Parma Polish American League, the Alliance of Poles, the Polonia Foundation of Ohio, the Polish American Congress Ohio Division, and the Cleveland Society of Poles. I was appointed Diocesan Director of the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart in the Home, served as Confessor to the Sisters of the Holy Spirit, and became involved in the Polish American Priests Association, heading our local chapter and serving nationally as President and in other capacities. There's even more, I'm afraid! One duty while with the Alliance of Poles was to write a monthly article for their fraternal paper *The Alliancer*. When that organization merged with the PRCUA, this assignment continued on to this very day with *Narod Polski* and is now shared with our Chaplains, as well. Most recently, it seems like I've gone full cycle in that the organization which provided my first such position has now added to it with my being named to the Administrative Board of the John Paul II Foundation in Rome, thanks to Archbishop Marek Jedraszewski.

No one can get to any point in life, however, without other people being a part of it. It starts at home with the family and moves on from there. I am blessed with a great family and extended family and learned so much from them that never gets taught in a class or by reading a book. They are true heroes! I have great friends and what a blessing they are. I've been fortunate beyond what anyone deserves, given the experiences and travels which became possible for me. To give just one example: being able to work at Jasna Gora, Poland, during the summers while I was a seminarian, living at the Monastery with the Pauline Fathers and Brothers. Oh...the stories and events! If you want to see the world, just go to Jasna Gora and wait...it comes to you! I have been so richly blessed with the friendships and contacts, travels and experiences, which just that one opportunity opened up for me, not to mention the rest.

The passage of time also brings its unavoidable consequences, too. It's getting that I feel I know more people in the cemetery than I do outside of it! It seems you always appreciate people at least a little bit more when they are no longer here. God grant them all eternal rest.

Not being in the habit of writing personal reflections, it looks to me like I've gone too long already. Its a glorious life, being a priest, just like when anyone finds their true vocation and lives the life God made them to live. Should the occasion ever present itself, never hesitate to suggest to a young man that you think he'd make a fine priest, including those in your family. So often, that seemingly awkward or insignificant thing is precisely the key thing which gets the ball rolling! So, if you're still reading this, you're getting some "homework" now: find some way in the next week to do something nice for your priest(s)! No matter what it may be - maybe just going out of your way to say "hello" when you may not normally enter or exit the door when they greet people - big or small it doesn't matter... just do something nice. You'll feel better for it and, believe me, it can make a difference that day for him, too, often more than you know!

I'll close with a passage, rich in reflective possibilities, which I've long loved and which graces my jubilee prayer card. It comes from the great Holy Father, Pope Pius XI: *"The word of the priest enters the soul and brings light and power; the voice of the priest rises calmly above the storms of passion, fearlessly to proclaim the truth, and exhort to the good; that truth which elucidates and solves the greatest problems of human life; that good which no misfortune can take from us, which death but secures and renders immortal."*

PRCUA Poudly Presents 2018 Scholarship Recipients!

The Polish Roman Catholic Union in America awarded 30 scholarships for the academic year 2018-2019. Scholarships come from three different funds: Woodrow Wilson Scholarship, PRCUA Education Fund Scholarship and PRCUA Scholarship Grants. Six students were awarded scholarships from two different funds. PRCUA congratulates all scholarship recipients and wishes you further successes.



2018 PRCUA Woodrow Wilson Scholarships				
NAME	UNIVERSITY	MAJOR	YEAR	SOC. #
Gabriela Suarez	Saint Xavier University	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Senior	1634
Lindsay Dodovich	Marquette University Law School	Law Student	Graduate	258

PRCUA Education Fund Scholarships				
NAME	UNIVERSITY	MAJOR	YEAR	SOC. #
Agnieszka Suminski	DePaul University	Public Health	Sophomore	1638
Aleksandra Baczynski	University of Chicago	Master of Science in Biomedical Informatics	Graduate	
Edmund Shaheen	Michigan State University	Hospitality Business, Economics	Sophomore	1618
Sandra Chrzaszcz	Univ. of IL at Urbana-Champaign	Interdisciplinary Health Sciences	Junior	1624
Olivia Celinski	College of DuPage	Business	Sophomore	1605
James Sliwa	University of Michigan	Economics and Pre-Pharmacy	Sophomore	1605
Hubert Celinski	Southern Illinois University	Automotive Technology	Junior	1605
Jakub Celinski	University of Iowa	Enterprise Leadership	Junior	1605
Aurelia Czeski	Siena Heights University	Elementary Education & Child Development	Sophomore	
Michael Watson	George Mason University	Economics PhD	Graduate	1628
Hannah Gove	Grand Valley State University	Exercise Science	Senior	

PRCUA Scholarship Grants				
NAME	UNIVERSITY	MAJOR	YEAR	SOC. #
Magdalena Rozko	DePaul University	Master of Nursing	Graduate	1624
Spencer Chamberlin	University of Cincinnati	Aerospace Engineering	Sophomore	709 & 1413
Courtney Hepler	Villanova University	Business	Graduate	2002
Edmund Shaheen	Michigan State University	Hospitality Business, Economics	Sophomore	1618
Agatha Grabowski	Indiana University	Fine Arts	Sophomore	234
Victoria Gavaghan	University of Illinois at Chicago	Doctor of Pharmacy	Graduate	1622 & 1634
Alexa Gajda	Loyola University Chicago	Biochemistry	Sophomore	1605
James Smiegocki	Johnson & Wales University	Engineering & Design Computerized Drafting	Senior	2019
Olivia Celinski	College of DuPage	Business	Sophomore	1605
James Sliwa	University of Michigan	Economics and Pre-Pharmacy	Sophomore	1605
Patrycja Gorska	Yale University	Computer Science	Sophomore	152
Hubert Celinski	Southern Illinois University	Automotive Technology	Junior	1605
Jakub Celinski	University of Iowa	Enterprise Leadership	Junior	1605
Katarzyna Szewdo	Dominican University	Psychology & Health Communications	Junior	1626
Grace Call	Boston University	Chemistry, Biochemistry	Senior	1579
Emilia Wojciak	Loyola University Chicago	Psychology	Sophomore	1628
Michael Watson	George Mason University	Economics PhD	Graduate	1626

MEETING THE CANDIDATES FOR THE PRCUA OFFICES

Members of PRCUA Districts #7 and #8 had an opportunity to meet the candidates for PRCUA Offices at District #8 Candidate Open House, held on Monday, July 9 at Our Lady of the Woods Parish in Orland Park, IL and at District #7 Candidate Open House, held on Monday, July 16 at PRCUA Social Hall in Chicago, IL.

Participating in the meetings were candidates for the offices of: President - James Robaczewski and Michael Turkiewicz, Vice President - Micheline Jaminski (unopposed), and Secretary-Treasurer - Agnieszka Bastrzyk and William Marutzky. In Orland Park, District #8 members also met with Myron Cislo and Liz Dynowski who will be running for the office of District #8 National Directors.



Candidate Open House in Orland Park, IL (l-r): Myron Cislo, Liz Dynowski, William Marutzky, Michael Turkiewicz, James Robaczewski, Agnieszka Bastrzyk

THANK YOU

To Whomever It May Concern,

I am writing to thank you for your generosity, for the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America Education Fund Scholarship and Scholarship Grant. I was very pleased and appreciative to learn that I was selected as the recipient of these awards.

I am very happy to be continuing my post secondary education at the College of DuPage. I plan on taking numerous business courses and transferring to a four year university to keep working towards my business major. Thanks to you, I am one step closer to that goal.

By awarding me the PRCUA Scholarship and Grant, you have lightened my financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school, learning. Your generous offer has inspired me to help others and give back to the community. I hope one day I will be able to assist other people to achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

Sincerely,
Olivia Celinski

Polskie Maki attended the DCFC Soccer Night

Warren, MI - Students from Polskie Maki Dance School were happy to participate in the 2nd Annual Soccer Polish Heritage Night with Detroit City FC on June 1, 2018.

Together with dancers from Zajączek and Gwiazda Ensembles, they represented Michigan PRCUA dance groups at the event.





SIERPIEŃ

10-13 DEARBORN, MI – 62. SEJM ZPRKA- od piątku do poniedziałku, 10-13 sierpnia w Edward Hotel and Convention Center, 600 Town Center Drive, Dearborn, MI.

17-18 WOODHAVEN, MI – 64. KRAJOWY TURNIEJ PIŁKI SOFTBALL, piątek-sobota, 17-18 sierpnia. Gospodarzem turnieju będzie Tow. Św. Stanisława #718. Szczegóły obok.

25 LAMBERTVILLE, MI – DOROCZNY MEMORIAŁ/TURNIEJ GOLFOWY - sobota, 25 sierpnia o godzinie 11:00 na polu golfowym Maple Grove, Secor Rd., Lambertville, MI. Koszt uczestnictwa \$50 od osoby; koszt samego obiadu \$15 od osoby. Rejestracja do 19 sierpnia na adres: PRCUA/President, 5255 N. Detroit Ave., Toledo, OH 43621. Informacje: Rick Kaz, tel. (419) 377-7610 lub Vikki Jean Mixon, tel. (419) 351-2698.

WRZESIEŃ

3 ŚWIĘTO LABOR DAY – Biuro ZPRKA będzie nieczynne

8 CARLETON, MI – MIESZANE ROZGRYWKI GOLFOWE (Mixed Golf Outing), sobota, 8 września, o godz. 9:00, Thorne Hills Golf Course, 12915 Sumpter Rd., Carleton, MI. Liczba graczy ograniczona do pierwszych 150 zgłoszeń. Koszt uczestnictwa: golfiści - \$50, osoby towarzyszące - \$15. Cena obejmuje udział w rozgrywkach, wózki golfowe, lunch, obiad i zimne napoje. Dodatkowe informacje i zgłoszenia: Dan Gdowski, tel. (734) 497-2681 lub (734) 654-2734.

9 CHICAGO, IL – MSZA INAUGURACYJNA I BANKIET ZPRKA - niedziela, 9 września 2018 r. Szczegóły na str. 17.

9 DZIEŃ DZIADKÓW (USA)

16 ARLINGTON HTS., IL – DOROCZNE DERBY WĘDKARSKIE ZPRKA - w niedzielę, 16 września, od 10 rano do 2 po poł. Busse Lake Fishing Wall, Arlington Hts., IL. Otwarte dla wszystkich członków ZPRKA i osób nie będących członkami. Bezpłatnie zimne napoje i przekąski. Nagrody za najwięcej ryb złowionych w każdej grupie wiekowej. Dzieci w wieku 1-15 lat i osoby w wieku powyżej 65 lat nie potrzebują licencji połowowej. Dodatkowe informacje: Mateusz Bomba, tel. (773) 782-2636.

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Woodhaven, MI - 17-18 sierpnia 2018 r.**

64. Krajowy Turniej Piłki Softball ZPRKA rozegrany zostanie w piątek i sobotę, 17-18 sierpnia 2018 r. w Henry Ford II Ball Diamond Complex, 23101 Hall Rd, Woodhaven, MI.

Zawodnicy i goście przyjezdni mogą się zakwaterować w Best Western Woodhaven Inn, 21700 West Rd, w Woodhaven, MI. Cena pokoju z łóżkiem King lub dwoma standartowymi łóżkami - \$93 za noc. W sprawie rezerwacji prosimy dzwonić pod nr. (734) 676-8000, do 27 lipca 2018. Dokonując rezerwacji należy powołać się na hasło „St. Stan’s”.

Przewodniczący komitetu organizacyjnego turnieju, Dan Gdowski i Bob Hojnacki, przygotowali następujący harmonogram rozgrywek i imprez towarzyszących:

Piątek, 17 sierpnia

- 18:00 – Rozgrywki drużyn mieszanych - Henry Ford II Ball Diamond Complex, 23101 Hall Rd, Woodhaven, MI.
- 18:30 – 22:00 - Wieczorek powitalny - Best Western Woodhaven Inn, 21700 West Rd, Woodhaven, MI. Bezpłatne piwo z beczki i pizza.

Sobota, 18 sierpnia

- 9:00 – Rozgrywki drużyn męskich i żeńskich – Henry Ford II Ball Diamond Complex, 23101 Hall Rd, Woodhaven, MI
- 11:00 – 13:00 – Lunch - serwowany przy boisku
- 18:00 – Bankiet wręczenia nagród - Best Western Woodhaven Inn, 21700 West Rd, Woodhaven, MI. Darmowa kolacja, płatny bar.

Msze święte – Our Lady of the Woods, 21892 Gudith Rd, Woodhaven, MI: sobota - godz. 16:00, niedziela - godz. 9:00 i 11:00.

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Pozdrowienia od grup tanecznych ZPRKA z festiwalu w Iwoniczu Zdroju

W połowie lipca 2018 r. wiceprezes ZPRKA Micheline Jamiński udała się do Iwonicza Zdroju, jako gość rzeszowskiego oddziału Stowarzyszenia Wspólnota Polska, organizatora 10. Polonijnego Festiwalu Dziecięcych Zespołów Folklorystycznych.

Tegoroczny dziecięcy festiwal odbył się w dniach od 19 do 25 lipca. W festiwalu udział wzięło 16 dziecięcych zespołów polonijnych z ośmiu krajów świata, w tym sześć zespołów tanecznych ZPRKA: „Wesoły Ludek” z Południowo-Zachodniego Centrum Polskiej Pieśni i Tańca (Orland Park, IL) oraz „Polanie” ze



Delegacja ZPRKA z dyrektorem festiwalu Mariuszem Grudniem (pierwszy z lewej) u wiceprezydenta miasta Krosna

cztery zespoły z Michigan: „Halka-Zajęczek” (z Detroit), Gwiazda (Hamtramck) i Opole (Warren).

Na festiwal wyjechało z ZPRKA 145 tancerzy i osób personelu (nie licząc rodziców) - choreografów, instruktorów i dyrektorów zespołów. 145 - na pamiątkę obchodzonej w tym roku 145. rocznicy założenia ZPRKA! Sprawozdania i refleksje z festiwalu w Iwoniczu-Zdroju zamieścimy w najbliższych wydaniach „Narodu Polskiego” oraz na stronie internetowej ZPRKA.

Festiwal dziecięcy powstał przy Światowym Festiwalu Polonijnych Zespołów Folklorystycznych, który odbywa się od 1969 r. w Rzeszowie. Organizatorem obu festiwali jest Stowarzyszenie Wspólnota Polska. W festiwalu dziecięcym biorą udział dzieci i młodzież w wieku od 5 do 16 lat.

GRATULUJEMY STYPENDYSTOM ZPRKA!



Zjednoczenie Polskie Rzymsko-Katolickie w Ameryce przyznało 30 stypendiów na rok akademicki 2018-2019. Stypendia pochodzą z trzech różnych funduszy: Stypendium im. Woodrowa Wilsona, Stypendium Funduszu Edukacyjnego ZPRKA i Zasiłku Stypendialnego ZPRKA. Sześciu studentom przyznane zostały stypendia z dwóch różnych funduszy. Lista stypendystów ZPRKA - na stronie 15.

Wszystkim stypendystom serdecznie gratulujemy i życzymy dalszych sukcesów.

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!

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

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- ◆ 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 lub Agnieszka Bastrzyk, 773-782-2632.

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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.

Noc dziedzictwa polskiego z drużyną White Sox

Chicago, IL - Członkowie zarządu ZPRKA z małżonkami, dyrektorzy Kevin Kucik (D-7) i Krystyna Lech (D-8), kilku pracowników biura Zjednoczenia oraz grupa członków ZPRKA wzięli udział w dorocznej Nocy dziedzictwa polskiego z drużyną White Sox, która zorganizowana została we środę, 27 czerwca, na stadionie Guaranteed Rate Field w Chicago, IL. Mecz rozegrały drużyny White Sox i Minnesota Twins, i ku wielkiej ucieście naszych członków, zwyciężyła drużyna White Sox.

Niektórzy z naszych członków wzięli udział w paradzie, która odbyła się przed meczem, zaś wszyscy gorąco oklaskiwali tancerzy zespołu „Wesoły Lud”, którzy wystąpili przed meczem przy bramie wejściowej oraz na płycie boiska.



Wesoły Lud na stadionie Guaranteed Rate Field



ZAPISZ DATĘ - WEŻ UDZIAŁ W TURNIEJU**Turnieje sportowe ZPRKA w 2018****17-18 sierpnia** - Turniej softball - Woodhaven, MI

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

ROCZNICA POWSTANIA WARSZAWSKIEGO

Powstanie Warszawskie - największy zryw militarny w okupowanej przez Niemców Europie, trwające 63 dni - od 1 sierpnia do 3 października 1944 roku, zorganizowane było przez Armię Krajową w ramach akcji „Burza”. Swoim zasięgiem objęło część lewobrzeżnych dzielnic miasta, niewielki obszar prawobrzeżnej Warszawy, Puszczę Kampinoską i Legionowo.

Decyzja o terminie rozpoczęcia powstania zapadła w czasie narady KG AK wieczorem, 31 lipca 1944 r. W czasie narady generał Tadeusz Bór-Komorowski wydał pułkownikowi Antoniemu Chruścielowi ps. „Monter”, rozkaz rozpoczęcia akcji zbrojnej w Warszawie następnego dnia, tj. we wtorek, 1 sierpnia 1944 r., o godz. 17.00 (dzień i godzina rozpoczęcia powstania warszawskiego określone zostały kryptonimem godzina „W”).

1 sierpnia do działań powstańczych przystąpiły jednostki Okręgu Warszawskiego AK (siedem obwodów i jeden samodzielny rejon) pod dowództwem pułkownika Antoniego Chruściela oraz jednostki dyspozycyjne Komendy Głównej AK – Kedyw KG AK dowodzony przez podpułkownika Jana Mazurkiewicza ps. „Radosław” i Pułk „Baszta” dowodzony przez podpułkownika Stanisława Kamińskiego ps. „Daniel”. Zaatakowały one jednocześnie niemieckie obiekty we wszystkich dzielnicach okupowanej Warszawy.

W dniu 2 października 1944 r. Armia Krajowa zaprzestała działań ofensywnych i wysłała emisariuszy do Ożarowa Mazowieckiego w celu negocjowania kapitulacji. Negocjacje trwały do północy 3 października, kiedy została oficjalnie podpisana decyzja o zawieszeniu broni.

W wyniku powstania zginęło od 150 tys. do 200 tys. ludności cywilnej, ponad 500 tys. mieszkańców stolicy. Ponad 100 tys. osób z miejscowości podwarszawskich zostało zmuszonych do opuszczenia swoich domów, a ok. 150 tys. zostało deportowanych do obozów koncentracyjnych lub wywiezionych na roboty przymusowe do Rzeszy.

Oddziały powstańcze straciły ok. 16 tys. żołnierzy. Rannych zostało ok. 20 tys. powstańców, a ok. 15 tys. żołnierzy trafiło do niemieckiej niewoli.

W czasie powstania zniszczeniu uległo 25% zabudowy lewobrzeżnej Warszawy. Ogólnie, na skutek oblężenia we wrześniu 1939 r., powstania warszawskiego i zagłady warszawskiego getta, zniszczeniu uległo 84% zabudowy lewobrzeżnej Warszawy.



**Pomnik Małego Powstańcy
na Starym Mieście
w Warszawie**
photo: L. Kowalewicz

DOROCZNA WYPRZEDAŻ DUPLIKATÓW KSIĄŻEK W MUZEUM POLSKIM W AMERYCE

W weekend 27-29 lipca, Biblioteka Muzeum Polskiego w Ameryce przeprowadziła kolejną, doroczną wyprzedaż duplikatów książek w języku polskim i angielskim. Dochód z wyprzedaży zostanie przeznaczony na dalszy rozwój placówki, która jest instytucją niedochodową.

Książki wystawione zostały na sprzedaż w bardzo przystępnych cenach i przez trzy dni wyprzedaż odwiedzili i skorzystali z okazji cen zarówno stali jak i nowi bibliofile i

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Muzeum Polskie w Ameryce ogłasza wydanie publikacji

***The Polish Presence in American Screen Images* (Polska obecność w amerykańskich ekranizacjach filmowych)**

Chicago, IL - Muzeum Polskie w Ameryce kontynuuje publikację wydawnictw dokumentujących historię i kulturę Polonii amerykańskiej wydaniem książki pt. *The Polish Presence in American Screen Images*.

Były redaktor naczelny „Narodu Polskiego”, Józef W. Żurawski przez pięć lat prowadził badania i obejrzał ponad 1300 filmów nadal wyświetlanych w Stanach Zjednoczonych, w których znajdują się odniesienia do „polskości”. Żurawski tłumaczy, że termin ten może odnosić się do postaci z Polski, wątków polskich, obszaru geograficznego, kościoła, imion, a nawet żartów lub przezwisk.

Poprzednie publikacje Żurawskiego to: *Polish Chicago—Our History, Our Recipes* (Polskie Chicago - nasza historia, nasze przepisy kulinarne) i *Polish American History and Culture: A Classified Bibliography* (Polsko-amerykańska historia i kultura: tajna bibliografia). *Polskie Chicago* Żurawskiego było przez pewien okres czasu najlepiej sprzedającą się książką w Chicago, a publikacja *Polsko-amerykańska historia i kultura* trafiła do Biblioteki Białego Domu.

Ryszard Owsiany, prezes Muzeum Polskiego w Ameryce, tak skomentował publikację nowej książki: „Cieszymy się, że możemy ogłosić ukazanie się na rynku książki *The Polish Presence in American Screen Images*. Niech ta refleksyjna, doskonale opracowana publikacja wzbudzi w Amerykanach szacunek i lepsze zrozumienie dla zmagających Polaków w Stanach Zjednoczonych i ich wkładu w budowę tego wielkiego narodu”.

The Polish Presence in American Screen Images to fascynująca analiza tego, jak Polacy w Stanach Zjednoczonych i nasze polskie dziedzictwo zostały zaprezentowane amerykańskiej publiczności filmowej. Czytając książkę, często będziesz zaskoczony, czasem zły, ale z pewnością docenisz to, że jest ona dostępna dzięki Muzeum Polskiemu w Ameryce. Możesz też zaskoczyć swoich przyjaciół, gdy podarujesz im kopię tej publikacji.

Wpływy ze sprzedaży *The Polish Presence in American Screen Images* zasilą fundusz Muzeum Polskiego w Ameryce.

„Znaczący wkład w zrozumienie sposobu traktowania etniczności w filmie amerykańskim. Dzięki żmudnym badaniom, Joseph W. Żurawski odkopał wiele nieznanych dotąd wymiarów historii amerykańskiego przemysłu filmowego i dostarczył klarownych, wnikliwych, czasem zaskakujących rewizji filmów, w których przedstawione zostały motywy i postacie polskie lub polonijne”.

- Carlos E. Cortés, emerytowany profesor historii, University of California, Riverside, autor książki *Multicultural America: A Multimedia Encyclopedia*

„Od dawna potrzebny ... mile widziany dodatek do badań nad problemem etniczności w historii filmu amerykańskiego”.

- James Robert Parish, redaktor publikacji *The Encyclopedia of Ethnic Groups in Hollywood*

„*Polish Presence in American Screen Images* to świetny materiał dla każdego nauczyciela etnicznych portretów w mediach”.

- Christine Sleeter, emerytowana profesor, California State University, Monterey Bay; była prezes National Association For Multicultural Education

„Jakkolwiek Polacy byli nazywani w filmach, najwyższy czas, aby niezawodna kompilacja ich obecności stała się dostępna dla fanów filmu i poważnych studentów. Dzięki *Polish Presence in American Screen Images* Josepha Żurawskiego uzyskujemy właściwą kombinację wiedzy, zapału i przejrzystości. Żurawski pokazuje dokładnie, dlaczego ‘polski wizerunek w filmie pozostaje nieostry’, ale również dobitnie tłumaczy, jak często prosta korekta nie tylko poprawiłaby percepcję Polaków w Stanach Zjednoczonych, ale zaowocowała lepszym filmem”.

- Lisa Mitchell, hollywoodzka historyczka filmowa i współautorka (z Bruce Torrence) *The Hollywood Canteen: Where The Greatest Generation Danced With The Most Beautiful Girls in The World*

„Pan Żurawski wniósł istotny wkład w zrozumienie, w jaki sposób Hollywood przedstawia członków amerykańskich grup etnicznych”.

- Burt Saxon, autor książki *Teaching Ethnicity and Race Through Films*

Książkę *The Polish Presence in American Screen Images* można zakupić w sklepiku pamiątkarskim Muzeum Polskiego w Ameryce lub zamówić drogą pocztową. Kupon zamówieniowy na str. 11.

4. Doroczny Piknik Rodzinny ZPRKA i Msza Polowa

4. Doroczny Piknik Rodzinny ZPRKA, organizowany przez Dystrykty #7, 8 i 9, odbył się w niedzielę, 24 czerwca 2018 r. w PACF Grove w Glenwood, IL.

Po raz czwarty, piknik zgromadził członków ZPRKA i osoby nie będące członkami. Dzieci, młodzież, dorośli w każdym wieku cieszyli się wspaniałą pogodą, wieloma atrakcjami, przyjazną atmosferą i przygotowanym poczęstunkiem. Ci, którzy chcieli przynieśli swoje własne kosze z jedzeniem, ale dołączyli się do zabawy na świeżym powietrzu.

Piknik rozpoczął się mszą polową, którą odprawił ks. Ron Kondziolka, dyrektor ds. usług duszpasterskich w placówce St. James Hospital & Health Centre w Chicago Heights, IL, a lektorami w czasie mszy byli tancerze z Południowo-Zachodniego Centrum Polskiej Pieśni i Tańca.

Po mszy, zapaleni kibice piłki nożnej mieli okazję obejrzeć mecz, który rozgrywała w tym dniu narodowa reprezentacja Polski w czasie Mistrzostw świata. Niestety, Polacy przegrali ku wielkiemu rozgoryczeniu kibicujących.

Dzieci z radością włączyły się do przygotowanych dla nich atrakcji. Młodsze dzieci ustawiły się w kolejce do malowania twarzy i uczestniczyły w grach prowadzonych przez klaunów Lolo i Lulu, skakały w nadmuchiwanym zamku i wzięły udział w rozbijaniu wypełnionej cukierkami pinaty. Jak co roku, niezwykłą popularnością cieszyły się przejażdżki kolejką dookoła terenu na którym odbywał się piknik.

Młodzież próbowała swoich sił m.in. w przeciąganiu liny, siatkówce i piłce nożnej. Zarówno dzieci jak i dorośli, każdego roku korzystają z przejażdżek rowerami wodnymi po jeziorze.

„Mistrzowie kuchni” z Dystryktów nr 7, 8 i 9 mieli pełno roboty aby nadażyć z grillowaniem hot-dogów, hamburgerów i kiełbasek dla głodnych gości. Do tego, przygotowali wystarczająco dużo różnorodnych zimnych napojów, więc nikt nie był spragniony.

Późnym popołudniem wszyscy zaśpiewali „Happy Birthday” Ryszardowi Jamińskiemu, mężowi wiceprezes ZPRKA Micheline Jamińskiej oraz utalentowanemu choreografowi i instruktorowi tańca grup tanecznych z południowej części Chicago, który obchodził urodziny.

W pikniku udział wzięli m.in. prezes ZPRKA Joseph A. Drobot, Jr. z żoną Judith, wiceprezes Micheline Jamiński z mężem Ryszardem, oraz kandydaci na urząd prezesa ZPRKA w zbliżających się w sierpniu wyborach: James Robaczewski (obecny sekretarz-skarbnik) z żoną Elaine i Michael Turkiewicz z żoną Nicole oraz na urząd sekretarza-skarbnika: Agnieszka Bastrzyk z mężem Danielem i William Marutzky, dla których była to doskonała okazja aby spotkać się i porozmawiać z członkami Zjednoczenia.

Organizatorzy dziękują wszystkim, którzy wzięli udział w dorocznym pikniku rodzinnym ZPRKA. Do zobaczenia za rok na kolejnym pikniku!



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