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State of Illinois
celebration of

Pulaski Day



**Monday,
March 4, 2019
10:00 a.m.**

**Sabina P. Logisz
Great Hall
Polish Museum of
America**

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Speeches by
Political Leaders and
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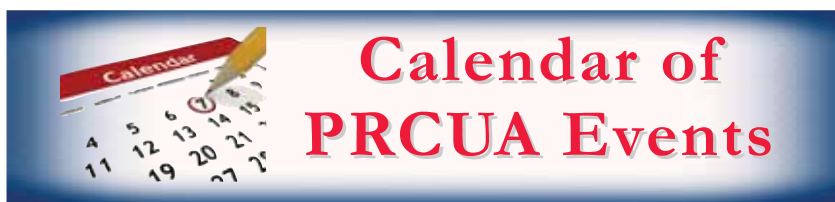
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FEBRUARY

2 DETROIT, MI – GWIAZDA DANCE GROUP FOWLING FUNDRAISER on Sat., Feb. 2 from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. at Fowling Warehouse, 3901 Christopher St., Detroit, MI. Contact: 313-682-3031 or panijessica@hotmail.com. See details on pg. 5.

7 DEARBORN HTS., MI – ST. STAN'S SOC. #718 SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE DRAWING on Thurs., Feb. 7 at 8:00 p.m. at Randy's Bar & Grille, 25122 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn Hts., MI.

9 STERLING HTS., MI – ZAJĄCZEK DANCE ENSEMBLE POLSKA ZABAWA on Sat., Jan. 9 at 6:00 p.m. at American Polish Century Club, 33204 Maple Lane, Sterling Hts., MI. For information and tickets contact: 586-770-7397 or zajaczekdance@yahoo.com. See details on pg. 13.

9 LEMONT, IL – ST. JOHN PAUL II POLISH SCHOOL'S 1920s-STYLE ZABAWA on Sat., Feb. 9 at 6:30 p.m. at Crystal Grand Banquets, 12416 Archer Ave., Lemont, IL. Tickets: \$65 per person. Open bar. Music by Millenium Band. Tickets can be purchased at St. John Paul II School on Fridays 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., or contact: 773-520-3563.

10 STERLING HTS., MI – ANNUAL EUCHRE TOURNAMENT hosted by PRCUA St. John Paul II Society #1593 on Sun., Feb. 10 at 5 Star Lanes, 2666 Metropolitan Parkway, Sterling Hts., MI from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. For more information, contact: john_godin@yahoo.com or Barbara at Bwithers03@yahoo.com. See details on pg. 3.

10 LEMONT, IL – DISTRICT 8 VALENTINE LUNCHEON HONORING PAST DISTRICT 8 DIRECTORS KRYSZYNA LECH AND JAMES RUSTIK on Sun., Feb. 10 at Crystal Grand Banquets, 12416 Archer Ave., Lemont, IL. Tickets: \$35 (children under 10 - \$15). For reservations, contact: Danielle Kroplewski: 312-718-0169. See details on pg. 3.

11 CHICAGO, IL – PRCUA DISTRICT #7 QUARTERLY MEETING on Mon., Feb. 11 at 7:00 p.m. at PRCUA Social Hall, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave, Chicago, IL. Contact: 773-782-2636.

14 VALENTINE'S DAY

16 BRIDGEVIEW, IL – MARIA KONOPNICKA POLISH SCHOOL CARNIVAL DANCE on Sat., Feb. 16 at Paradise Elegant Banquets, 9220 S. Harlem Ave., Bridgeview, IL. Entry: 6:30 p.m. For reservations, contact: Danielle Kroplewski 312-718-0169 or Asia Niedzielski 708-691-4348.

16 MT. PROSPECT, IL – POLONIA DANCE AND SONG ENSEMBLE ANNUAL FAMILY MARDI GRAS BALL on Sat., Feb. 16 from 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., at Crystal Palace Banquets, 1070 S. Elmhurst Rd., Mt. Prospect, IL. Reservations and information: 847-529-2555. See details on pg. 14.

17 LEMONT, IL – 15TH ANNUAL POLISH DAY: "Stanislaw Moniuszko - father of Polish Opera" on Sun., Feb. 17 at 3 p.m. at Saints Cyril & Methodius School, 608 Sobieski St., Lemont, IL. Free admission. Performance by PRCUA Polanie Dancers. See details on pg. 14.

18 PRESIDENTS' DAY – THE PRCUA OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

18 ORLAND PARK, IL – PRCUA DISTRICT #8 QUARTERLY MEETING on Mon., Feb. 18 at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Woods, 10731 W. 131st St., Orland Park, IL.

20 LANSING, MI – WHITE EAGLE SOC. #2342 POTLUCK AND MEETING on Wed., Feb. 20 from 5:30 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 TROY, MI – MICHIGAN STATE BALL on Sat., Feb. 23 at the San Marino Club, 1685 E. Big Beaver, Troy, MI. Cocktails at 5:15 p.m.; Promenade at 6:00 p.m.; Dinner at 6:30 p.m. See details on pg. 4.

23 MUNSTER, IN – ST. RAPHAEL KALINOWSKI SCHOOL DINNER DANCE on Sat., Feb. 23 at Carmelite Fathers' Banquet Hall, 1628 Ridge Rd, Munster, IN. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., program begins at 6:30 p.m. (dinner and performance by St. Raphael Kalinowski School students and Mała Polska dancers). Music by DJ Lucas. For additional information and tickets, contact: Małgorzata Blachut at 219-613-5148.

26 WARREN, MI – ST. JOHN PAUL II SOC. #1593 MEETING on Tues., Feb. 26 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.

28 FAT THURSDAY (POLAND)

MARCH

2 WESTLAND, MI – ST. STAN'S SOCIETY #718 ONE GAME BOWLING KNOCK-OUT on Sat., March 2 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-bowlers - \$25. Contact: Ed and Janet Rys at 734-459-9517. Note: Ladies may start a little later.

3 HICKORY HILLS, IL – 44th ADULT CULTURE GROUP FASHION SHOW AND LUNCHEON on Sun., March 3 at Camelot Banquets, 8624 W. 95th St., Hickory Hills, IL. Entry at 11:00 a.m., Luncheon at 12:00 a.m. For reservations and additional information, contact Liz or Walter Dynowski at 708-532-1541. See details on pg. 9.

4 CHICAGO, IL – CASIMIR PULASKI DAY CELEBRATION on Mon., March 4 at 10:00 a.m. in the Sabina P. Logisz Great Hall, Polish Museum of America, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL. Speeches by political leaders and Polish and Polish-American dignitaries, wreath laying ceremony. **THE PRCUA OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED.**

5 FAT TUESDAY

6 ASH WEDNESDAY

8 WYANDOTTE, MI – ROGALIN DANCE TROUPE BOWLING FUNDRAISER on Fri., March 8 at Indian Lanes, 4500-13th St., Wyandotte, MI. Check-in 9:15 p.m. Bowling starts approx. 9:30 p.m. Contact Lisa Brandt 734-775-7987 or Amber Cornell 734-771-7612 for more information. See details on pg. 9.

8 TOLEDO, OH – ECHOES OF POLAND PIEROGI DINNER on Fri., March 8 from 4:00 p.m. to 8 p.m. at PRCUA Hall, 5255 N. Detroit, Toledo, OH. See details on pg. 7.

9 WARREN, MI – ZAJĄCZEK DANCE ENSEMBLE 14th ANNUAL RECITAL on Sat., March 9 at 2:30 p.m. at Warren Woods Auditorium, 13400 E. 12 Mile Rd., Warren, MI. See details on pg. 13.

10 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

10 CHICAGO, IL – PRCUA DISTRICT #7 CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER on Sun., March 10 at PRCUA Social Hall, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL. See details on pg. 9.

16 STERLING HTS., MI – 85th NATIONAL PRCUA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT HOSTED BY ST. RITA SOC. #1368, on Sun., March 10. Additional information: PRCUA Fraternal Department 773-782-2636. See details on pg. 5.

20 SPRING BEGINS

20 LANSING, MI – WHITE EAGLE SOC. #2342 POTLUCK AND MEETING on Wed., March 20 from 5:30 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.

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29 DETROIT, MI – POLISH HERITAGE NIGHT - DETROIT RED WINGS VS. NEW JERSEY DEVILS on Fri., March 29 at 7:30 p.m. PRCUA Opole Dance Ensemble will perform in pregame ceremonies. Portion of the proceeds from ticket sales will be donated to the PRCUA Educational Fund Scholarship Program. See details on pg. 14.

31 DETROIT, MI – ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE POLISH AMERICAN DANCE ENSEMBLES on Sun., March 31.

MADISON, IL – PRCUA SOC. #1003 FISH FRY & TACOS - Friday Evenings through April 26th - Polish Hall, lower level, 826 Greenwood Street, Madison, IL. Serving from 5 PM to 8 PM. Cod Sandwich \$4, Taco \$2. Shrimp, chicken strips, onion rings, fries, coleslaw, and drinks are also available. Eat-in or Carry-out. (Kitchen closed February 22 & April 19) Follow all our Events on Facebook.com/Polish.Hall.Madison

Monthly Polka Dance

St. Louis Metro Polka Club and PRCUA St. Stanislaus Soc. #1004 invite everyone for Monthly Polka Dances held at Polish Hall, 826 Greenwood St. Madison, IL on the 4th Sunday of every month (except December) from 3:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Admission \$7, Children 12 & under free. Polish sausage sandwiches & drinks are available for purchase.

Feb 24	Larry Haller's Two Star Final
Mar 24	St Louis Express (Western Attire)
Apr 28	Eddie Korosa and the Boys from Illinois
May 19	Polka Connection
Jun 23	Butch's Polka Kings
Jul 28	Dave Hylla's Good Times Band
Aug 25	Rich Cullen's Dynamic Duo (Hawaiian Attire)
Sep 22	Polka Connection
Oct 27	Larry Haller's Two Star Final
Nov 24	Rich Cullen's Dynamic Duo

To learn more about our friends, the St. Louis Metro Polka Club, visit their website <http://folkfire.org/polka/index.html>

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FPDA-202-E	(IRA) Traditional IRA	1.500%	9%
FPDA-202R-E	(ROTH) Roth IRA	\$1,000 and over	8%
FPDA-202SE-E	(SEP) SEP IRA	2.250%	7%
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PRCUA #1593 ST JOHN PAUL II SOCIETY Euchre Tournament
Skip-Bo Tournament for kids
Sunday, February 10, 2019

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

SIGN UP TODAY!
Organizer:
Barb Ozog — 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

PRCUA District 8 Valentine Luncheon
honoring former National Directors from District 8
Krystyna Lech & James Rustik

Sunday, February 10, 2019
Crystal Grand Banquets
12416 S. Archer Avenue,
Lemont, IL 60439
Entry 11:30 a.m.
Luncheon Noon
Donation: \$15.00
(children under 10 \$15.00)
Reservation Deadline:
February 1, 2019
Special artistic program.

Please send reservations and payment by February 1, 2019 to:
Danielle Kroplewski, 13100 Ballycastle Court, Lemont, IL 60439
For information: 312-718-0169

Make Check Payable to: PRCUA District #8

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Enclosed is \$ _____ for tickets: Adults _____ Children (under 10) _____

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I am unable to attend; however, please accept the enclosed check as a donation.

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SOMETHING WONDERFUL!

Save the date! The PRCUA Michigan dance schools are proud to be honoring twelve of their finest at the upcoming PRCUA Shirley Ann Galanty Michigan State Ball. The Michigan State Ball celebrates the countless efforts of these soon to be high school graduates, whose active participation and commitment to dance, church and community have truly earned them the title of PRCUA Ambassadors. The elegant event will be held on Saturday, February 23, at the San Marino Club in Troy, MI. Dinner, open bar, The Duane Malinowski Orchestra, and a beautiful Presentation Program performed by the Ball Honorees will truly ensure that the evening will be "Something Wonderful!"



2019 Michigan State Ball Honorees

See details below. For reservations and ticket information, please contact Maria Jalkiewicz at (586) 979-5164.

The PRCUA Michigan Dance Schools, Members Of the Board, Directors and Teachers cordially invite you and your friends to attend the

Twenty - Eighth Annual

PRCUA
Shirley Ann Galanty
Michigan State Ball
Honoring the 2019 Graduates

Saturday, February 23, 2019
The San Marino Club
1685 E. Big Beaver, Troy, MI

Cocktails 5:15 p.m.
Promenade 6:00 p.m.
Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Semi-Formal Attire

Music by Duane Malinowski Orchestra
Donations \$60 per adult, \$33 per student through age 20
For information contact Maria Jalkiewicz (586) 979-5164

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From the Office of the Secretary-Treasurer



Agnieszka J. Bastrzyk, 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: Agnieszka Bastrzyk, Secretary-Treasurer, PRCUA, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60642-4101 or call 773-782-2600 Ext. 2605 or 1-800-772-8632 Ext. 2604.

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2019 PRCUA Calendar

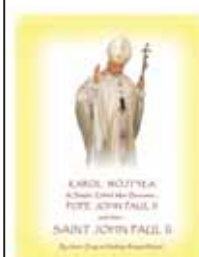
The free 2019 PRCUA calendar is still available to PRCUA members. Members can pick the calendar up at the Home Office, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave, Chicago, IL or can order it by calling the Marketing Department at 773-782-2630.

Orders can also be placed by emailing the following: marketing@prcua.org.



The 2019 PRCUA calendar features cities throughout Poland. Each month showcases both the historic and modernized aspects of one of the cities, illustrating the beauty of current-day Poland, as well as her rich history. We hope you will enjoy this 2019 calendar. *Order while supplies last!*

Saint John Paul II Workbook Available



charismatic church leader.

In celebration of 2018 being the 40th anniversary of the election of His Eminence Karol Cardinal Wojtyła of the Archdiocese of Kraków, Poland, to the Papacy as Pope John Paul II, the PRCUA has published a biographical workbook about the life of this charismatic church leader.

The workbook was the brainchild of author Joann Ozog, wife of PRCUA National President Emeritus Wallace Ozog, with design assistance from Kathryn (Rosypal) Romani, Past Executive Editor of PRCUA's *Naród Polski* newspaper. Both women volunteered their services on this project to encourage youth to learn about this Polish saint.

In addition to presenting a brief biography of St. John Paul II, with photographs, the workbook also includes an assortment of educational puzzles designed by former teacher Joann Ozog to engage readers in remembering important facts about this beloved Pope.

The workbooks are available from the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America Home Office. The workbooks are free; the only charge is for postage: \$2 for one workbook and 75 cents for each additional book. Please make checks payable to PRCUA and send your order to: **Saint John Paul II Workbook, PRCUA, 984 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, IL 60642-4101.**

Gwiazda Dancers Kick Off 2019



Gwiazda dancers hard at work painting the bowls



Bowls at the Empty Bowls Project in Detroit

January 7, 2019. It was great for the dancers to see all of their friends after the break and to continue their preparations for Gwiazda's 2019 performances and the ensemble's 59th Annual spring recital.

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



Gwiazda dancers with their families

PRCUA GWIAZDA DANCERS PRESENT



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Sat. Feb. 2nd, 2019 8-10 p.m.

\$20 per person (Includes fowling and pizza!)

Location: Fowling Warehouse

2901 Christopher St. Detroit, MI 48211

Advanced ticket purchase is required.

This is a 21 & older event ONLY

Prize
raffle!



50/50
raffles!

For additional information contact (313)682-3031 or panjessica@hotmail.com

The PRCUA Gwiazda Dance School is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization



85th PRCUA National Basketball Tournament

Saturday, March 16, 2019

WARREN, MI

The 85th PRCUA National Basketball Tournament will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2019 in Warren, MI, hosted by St. Rita's Society #1368. The committee, chaired by Jerry Lubiarz, has finalized the events as follows:

HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS:

Homewood Suites by Hilton, 31993 Van Dyke Ave Warren, MI 48093. Room Rates: \$119 King Studio (larger rooms available at slightly higher prices). Includes free full hot breakfast, full kitchenette in each room. Also Includes FREE shuttle to and from the banquet! Reservations: (586) 979-7600 by March 1st. Make sure to mention PRCUA for discounted rate.

Registration link to be posted on PRCUA website shortly

SPORTS VENUES:

Warren Community Center - 5460 Arden Ave Warren, MI.
Warren Woods Christian School - 14000 Thirteen Mile Rd. Warren, MI.
Complimentary lunch will be available 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: Friday, March 15 at 7 p.m. at Homewood Suites by Hilton, 31993 Van Dyke Ave Warren, MI. Complimentary food & drinks.

AWARDS BANQUET: Saturday, March 18. Doors open 6:00 p.m. Father Kramer Knights of Columbus, 7400 Bernice St., Center Line, MI. Polish dinner, Open Bar, live music, 50/50 raffle, and surprises! Awards Presentation after Dinner.

MASS:

St. Anne's - 32000 Mound Rd. Warren, MI. Mass Times: 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
St. Louise - 2500 E. 12 Mile Rd. Warren, MI. Mass Times: 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

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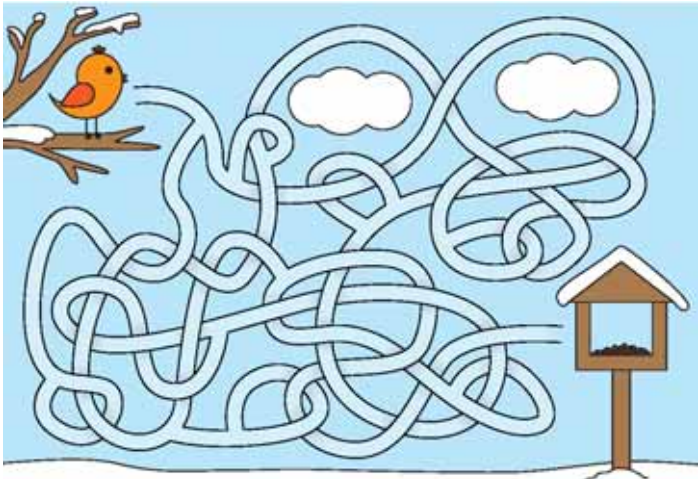
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Echoes of Poland Celebrates Wigilia



Echoes of Poland dancers with the ensemble director and choreographer Paulina Tul Ortyl and Dist. #5 Director Thomas Jesionowski

Toledo, OH - On Saturday, Dec. 10, Saints Adalbert & Hedwig Catholic Parish celebrated Wigilia, at the Misiuda Hall in Toledo, OH. The children and teen ensembles of The Echoes of Poland Folk Song & Dance Ensemble of PRCUA participated in their Wigilia celebration to an enthusiastic, packed house. National Director of District #5, Thomas Jesionowski was in attendance.

The children’s ensemble performed *Przezióreczka* and *Krakowiak*, and dances from the regions of Cieszyn and Lublin. The teen ensemble performed *Kujawiak* and *Trojak* from the region of Śląsk. Couples in the children’s and teen ensembles performed *Polka Podlaska* and *Polka Spacerowa*. The ensembles performed to a very enthusiastic crowd. Everyone had a great time. We were so honored and proud to represent the PRCUA and be part of our beautiful Polish culture for all to see.

The Echoes of Poland is under the direction and choreographed by Paulina Tul Ortyl for the past 51 years. She has been the only director and choreographer to date.

Photos and article submitted by:
Teresa A. Gibala & Suzi Graber

Echoes Christmas Party

On December 20, the Echoes of Poland Folk Song and Dance Ensemble of the



Echoes of Poland Christmas party

District #5, Thomas Jesionowski distributed gift packages to all the dancers and calendars to all the adults present. The attendees were treated to a craft-making workshop and sang *kolędy*. Paulina Ortyl led the singing of both English and Polish favorites and greeted Santa with a lively version of “Santa Claus is Coming to Town.” The whole party was a fabulous way to start the Christmas season. Our thanks go to the chairpersons, May Pat Antoniuk and Christine Forbes, who spent countless hours arranging and organizing this event. May we take this time to wish you and yours *Szczęśliwego Nowego Roku!*

Photo and article submitted by:
Teresa Gibala & Walter Gibala

Adult Culture Group of PRCUA Presents
THE GREATEST FASHION SHOW
Camelot Banquets
6624 95th St, Hickory Hills, IL 60457
Sunday March 3, 2019
Entry 12:00 a.m. - Luncheon 12:00 p.m.
Donation \$35.00 - Children 11 and under \$20.00
All proceeds from this event are used to provide scholarship funds for the Candidates of the Cinderella - Prince Charming Ball
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PRCUA SOCIETY #162 ELECTS
2019 OFFICERS

Wyandotte, MI - PRCUA Sacred Heart of Jesus Society #162 held a meeting on Sunday, January 13 at the PRCUA Hall in Wyandotte, MI. Following the business part of the meeting, the oath of office was held for the newly elected Officers and Board Members who will serve Society #162 members in 2019. The meeting ended with a pot-luck dinner.

Congratulations and best of luck to the new administration of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Society.



2019 Society #162 Officers taking the oath of office (l-r): Mike Halberstadt – Board of Directors / Vice President, Keith Zelasko – Auditor, John Zelasko – Board of Directors, Mike Bozymowski – Flag Bearer, Rob Trybun – Board of Directors, Larry Stec – Board of Directors / Treasurer, Al Adamski – Board of Directors, Herb Tarnowski – Board of Directors, Bernie Baca – Board of Directors, Joe Zelasko – Sergeant at Arms, Carole Tarnowski – Auditor, GERALYN TIZEDES – Society Secretary, Kelly Salatowski – Ladies VP / Auditor, Al Salatowski – Board of Directors, Chris Zelasko – Board of Directors / Society Treasurer, Natalie Wienclaw – Society Financial Secretary, Stan Pasko – President
(Not Pictured: Todd Grabowski – Board of Directors / Secretary and Rev. Walter J. Ptak – Chaplain)

Please submit all articles for the March issue of *Naród Polski* by February 15. If an article is submitted after the deadline, it will be published in the following issue.

 **The Echoes of Poland** 
Pierogi Dinner
March 8, 2019
4:00 to 8:00 p.m.
PRCUA Hall
5255 N. Detroit, Toledo, OH
\$10.00 Adult - \$5.00 Child
Menu: 4 Pierogi, Vegetable, Salad, Bread/Butter, Dessert, Coffee/Punch
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February - the month of love (Valentine's Day), patriotism (Presidents' Day), prediction (Ground Hog Day) and many events sponsored by Polonian organizations including our own PRCUA Districts, Societies, Language Schools and Dance Groups. For a complete list of upcoming events, please check this issue's Calendar of Events and please support those that are local.

From the onset, January seemed to be an easy month for social engagements. The unpredictability of weather in the Midwest makes for challenging events and even more so, after another busy Christmas holiday season.

Not until the end of the month do we realize how often we balance business and public relations.

The annual Oplatek of the Polish Highlanders of North America was held on Saturday, January 5, 2019, at its banquet facilities in Chicago. Filled to capacity, the "Górale" wine, dine and entertain their guests with tradition and warm hospitality. President, Józef Cikowski and his Executive Officers together with the Committee are to be commended and we thank them for their kind invitation.

The Feast of the Epiphany or Little Christmas was celebrated with an Evening of Caroling ("Wieczór Kolęd") sponsored by the Americans of Polish Descent (AMOPOD). Representing the PRCUA were President James Robaczewski with his wife Elaine and Secretary-Treasurer Agnieszka Bastrzyk. A delicious dinner, time to socialize and singing of Polish Christmas Carols was enjoyed by all. Jadzia Koszalka, an accomplished pianist and accordionist, added to the merriment. At one time, Ms. Koszalka shared her talents as a dance instructor with the PRCUA Wisła Dance Group and singing teacher and accompanist of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing.



New Year Reception at the Polish Consulate (l-r): Ewa Cholewinski, Eileen and James Robaczewski, Consul Piotr Janicki, Micheline and Richard Jaminski

Dinner (Wyandotte, MI).

The Adult Culture Group hosted an Afterglow on January 13th for the Royal Couple, Runners-up, Candidates and Parents of the Cinderella-Prince Charming Ball at Our Lady of the Woods Parish Hall, Orland Park, IL. Accepting the invitation, I was able to introduce our new PRCUALife Annuity-Plus Program as well as our new name and logo, share my memories from past Balls, Fashion Shows, and gatherings of the Adult Culture Group and celebrate Liz Dynowski's birthday. The next showcase for the talents of the young adults and their parents will be at "The Greatest Fashion Show" on Sunday, March 3,



2019 Cinderella & Prince Charming and their Runners-up at the Adult Culture Group Afterglow event

members of the Adult Culture Group, D-8 National Director Mirek Cisko, and the Artistic Director/Choreographer of the Ball, Richard Jaminski.

The freezing temperatures did not stop the 370 party-goers from attending the "WESOLY LUD ON ICE" Winter Dinner Dance at Camelot Banquets on January 19, 2019. Several guests came dressed as their favorite Disney characters. Olivia Cisko was presented with her 5 year plaque by her parents Elizabeth (Wargacki) and Mirek Cisko who received their 5 year plaques 30 years ago. Wesoly Lud functions differently from many other Polish Folk Dance Ensembles - it is a young adult group with membership beginning upon entrance in high school. Olivia danced for 9 years in the PRCUA youth groups, Southwest Center of Polish Dancing and Polanie Dancers, before graduating into Wesoly Lud. Now a sophomore in college, Olivia continues her love of Polish dance in Wesoly Lud and teaches on Saturdays at the Polanie Dancers of the St. John Paul II Polish School. During the dance program, Olivia performed the Oberek and Kujawiak Duet with Michael Dziadkowiec. Wesoly Lud Representation I performed suites of dances and songs from Rzeszów and Nowy Sącz while Representation II from Lublin



Liz Dynowski celebrating her birthday

and Eastern Kraków. The Finale was a Chicago Polka performed by current and past dancers of Wesoly Lud. Congratulations to Olivia and to her family. Bravo to all the dancers and Artistic Director/Choreographer Richard Jaminski together with his assistant, Michael Dziadkowiec. Thank you to the Committee (M. Dziadkowiec, Weronika and Joanna Niedzielski, Kacper Szumiec, Kuba Stypula, Camilla Steczek, etc.) and all who attended. Representing the PRCUA were the Executive Officers, their spouses and the Bastrzyk children, District 8 President and Former Director, James Rustik, Past Director and Wesoly Lud Charter member Steven Cieslicki.



Wesoly Lud with Olivia Cisko



Honoree Olivia Cisko (c) with parents



A few familiar Disney characters



A seasoned Snow White tempted by the Wicked Queen



Cruella de Ville (Liz Dynowski) with two Prince Charmings - James Robaczewski and Richard Jaminski

Prom season is in full swing - that is the Polish language high school prom known as the "Studniówka" - marking the last 100 days before graduation. On Saturday, January 26, the Polish Teachers Association (President Ewa Koch) with the host school - the Adam Mickiewicz Polish Language School, Burbank, IL (Anna Palasz, Principal) hosted 555 graduates-to-be at the beautiful Oak Brook Drury Lane Ballroom, Oak Brook, IL. It was a runway of beautifully dressed young ladies and handsome young men who presented themselves in a promenade of local Polish language high schools. The PTA boasts a membership of 54 schools throughout the Midwest. Many local dignitaries who also sponsored the event were in attendance. I had the privilege to represent PRCUA together with my husband Richard. We sat with the Director of Sales for the Greater Chicago Area of LOT Polish Airlines, Magdalena Pantelis and her husband Neil; Jan Kopeć and Dr. Łucja Mirowska-Kopeć (President and Media Liaison of the Alliance of Polish Clubs respectively); Alicja Kuklińska, Secretary General of the Polish National Alliance; Helena Sołtyś, 1st Vice President of the Polish Teachers Association; and Beata Nykaza, President of the Adam



VIPs at the Studniówka

Mickiewicz Polish School. Other guests included Consul General Piotr Janicki of the Polish Consulate in Chicago; PMA President Richard Owsiany and his guest, Anna Wytrzymalska; Rev. Mariusz Nawalaniec, Pastor of St. Albert the Great Parish in Burbank, IL; PRCUA Vice President Emeritus Anna Sokolowski; among others.

The PRCUA subsidized schools participating in the Studniówka were: St. Raphael Kalinowski Polish School, Munster, IN (Małgorzata Czachor - Principal / Graduating Class Teacher, Małgorzata Blachut - President;



St. Raphael Kalinowski Polish School



M. Konopnicka Polish School



St. John Paul II Polish School

On Sunday, January 27, the Rogalin Dance Troupe of PRCUA hosted its 50th Anniversary Celebration with dinner, a dance program and social dancing to kick start its "Golden Year." School Director, Lisa Kret-Brandt, and Dance Instructor, Janet Vilag, prepared a lovely afternoon at the PRCU Hall in Wyandotte, MI. Representing the PRCUA Executive Board was National Director D-10 Courtney Ozog (due to a family emergency, National Director D-10 Colleen Bonkowski was unable to attend). Not one but two PRCUA Presidents-Emeriti graced the festivities with their presence. I have it on good authority from Wallace and Joann Ozog, as well as Joseph and Judy Drobot that it was a magnificent success. Congratulations to all involved with this event and with the Rogalin Dance Troupe through its 50 years! I am looking forward to attending your 50th Anniversary Recital on April 13. Here's to 50 more – "Sto lat, sto lat niech żyje, żyje nam! Good luck, good cheer, may you live a hundred years."



Polonia Ensemble

Meanwhile in Niles, IL, the PRCUA participated in the Coming Together event Celebrating Polish Culture. For the next few months, there will be Polish performances and exhibitions throughout the village. At the 2019 Opening Ceremony on Sunday, January 27, the Polonia Ensemble (Anna Krysinski, Manager; Jaclyn Krysinski, Choreographer) performed amidst a cast of many local Polish artists. Bravo Polonia for another successful performance! Also at the event, PRCUA's Director of Marketing, Elżbieta Sawczuk, distributed literature about our organization – she reported that the PRCUA Polish Costume Coloring Books and Faces of Poland Publications were a hit! Ela and her amazing team of creative geniuses – Lisa Terlecki (graphic artist), Anna Moshopolus, Agata Wilgocki and Artur Stanislaw – have been busy preparing the PRCUALife Annuity-Plus promotion and updating our literature with the most current information. Speaking of which – we invite You to OPEN or add to an existing annuity with PRCUALife – protecting, providing and securing your life through all its stages. Read all about it on the front page of this issue of the Naród Polski!

The PRCUA would like to welcome a new school to its family – the Jan Karski Polish School. Founded in 2014, Jan Karski Polish School is located in Palos Heights, IL, adjacent to St. Alexander Catholic Church. Classes are held on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Polish school program includes education in Polish language from kindergarten to high school, religious education in the Polish language, along with First Communion and Confirmation classes, classrooms adapted to the age of students, a great staff of experienced Polish teachers, and preparation for the certification exam Seal of Bilingualism.

Considering January ended on a bitterly cold note here in the Midwest, I see why there are so many dances coming up in February – it is a great way to warm up. Not a dancer, I am more than certain that just attending any one of our PRCUA events will do the trick. Here is hoping that Punxsutawney Phil fails to see his shadow on Groundhog Day. Happy Valentine's Day! Happy Presidents' Day!

2019 PRCUA SPORTS TOURNAMENTS

Basketball Tournament

March 16, 2019 - Sterling Heights, MI - St. Rita Society #1368 (Jerry Lubiarz)

Bowling Tournament

April 26-28, 2019 - Westland, MI - St. Stan's Society #718 (Jerry Nasiatka)

Golf Tournament

July 20, 2019 - Temperance, MI - Society #1617 (Tom Jesionowski) Vickie Jean Mixon

Softball Tournament

August 16-17, 2019 - Warren, MI - Opolo Dance School (Patricia Johansen)

Volleyball Tournament

November 8-9, 2019 - Romulus, MI - PRCUA #1493 Father Al's Society (Courtney Ozog)



Bowling Fundraiser



Help support the Rogalin Dance Troupe with an evening of fun, raffles and bowling!

Friday, March 8, 2019

Check-in 9:15 pm

Bowling starts approx. 9:30 pm

\$25 per person - Includes 3 games,

mystery (games 1 & 2), shoes & pizza

(5 bowler maximum per team)

Indian Lanes

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Wyandotte, Michigan

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PRCUA DISTRICT #7 CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER

Sunday, March 10, 2019

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PRCUA Social Hall

984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL

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Catered by Ray Harrington

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- Merit and need are taken into consideration.
- Candidates not selected can reapply annually.
- Preference will be given to applicants who will be juniors, seniors, or graduate students in the fall term.

To obtain an application, send a request by mail to PACCF, 6645 N. Oliphant Ave., Suite A, Chicago, IL 60631 or an application can be printed from PACCF website at www.pacccf.org.
Applications must be submitted by March 15, 2019

47th Cinderella - Prince Charming Ball



**2019 Cinderella Klaudia Widur
and Prince Charming
Aleksander Sacinski**



**2019 Runners-up
Katarzyna Burdzy
and Arthur Rykala**

The M. Konopnicka Adult Culture Group held its annual Cinderella Prince Charming Ball at the Chateau Del Mar in Hickory Hills, IL, on November 17, 2018. This year's elegant event celebrated its 47th Anniversary. The candidates, their parents and honored guests all looked forward in anticipation of the evening's events.

Danielle Kroplewski and Tom Frankowicz began the festivities by welcoming

guests to the Ball. The program included an introduction of the PRCUA National Officers, as well as the Adult Culture Group Officers and members. General Consul of the Republic of Poland Piotr Janicki and PRCUA Vice President Micheline Jaminski extended their greetings and congratulations to the Candidates, their parents and to the Adult Culture Group. The invocation followed, given by The Most Reverend Bishop Andrew P. Wypych, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago. A Polonaise of the parents and their candidate was beautifully showcased next.



**Emcees Thomas Frankowicz
and Danielle Kroplewski**

biographies their affiliation with PRCUA dance groups and PRCUA Polish schools.

After each candidate was presented, the young men and women performed a beautiful waltz choreographed by Richard Jaminski. Guests watched in amazement as the candidates floated 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 is much honored to see that the grace, maturity, confidence and friendships developed during the preparation for the Ball shine throughout the evening.

The most anticipated moment of the Ball is the drawing of the Cinderella and Prince Charming 2019. Bishop Wypych blessed the crowns. The drawing of the winners was done by honored guests: National President of PRCUA, Mr. James Robaczewski selected the Cinderella envelope, National Vice-President of PRCUA, Mrs. Micheline Jaminski selected the Prince Charming envelope, and Agnieszka Bastrzyk, National Secretary-Treasurer selected the Cinderella-runner up and Prince Charming-runner up envelopes.

The 1st runners up for the 2019 PRCUA Cinderella and Prince Charming are Katarzyna Burdzy and Arthur Rykala. The 2019 PRCUA Cinderella and Prince Charming are: Klaudia Widur and Aleksander Sacinski.

Cinderella and Prince Charming, the runners up and the candidates all receive scholarships from the Adult Culture Group. Funds for these scholarships are provided from the money raised through the annual Ball and annual Fashion Show. This year, the fashion show will be held March 3, 2019 at the Camelot in Hickory Hills, IL. Cinderella and Prince Charming receive the largest scholarship presented to the candidates and are honored to represent the Adult Culture Group at various Polish-American events throughout the city, culminating in their giving up their passing along the following year's Cinderella Prince Charming Ball.



Drawing of the 2019 winners



Pres. Robaczewski and VP Jaminski presenting winners with their regalia

The official program concluded with the promenade of the 2019 Cinderella and Prince Charming and with the Candidates dancing a waltz with their parents. Thank you for everyone's part in making the Ball an elegant and enjoyable experience. The Ball would not be possible without the support of the Adult Culture Group, including its officers: Edward Muszalski, President, John Frankowicz, Vice

President, Liz Dynowski, Secretary, and Walter Dynowski, Treasurer; its committee chairs: Candidates: Gabby Zuk, Danuta Stypula and Krystyna Lech; Invitations: Vickie Kroplewski and Jolanta Stanek; Program Book: Monika Pazdziora and Lidia Kowalewicz and the following dedicated committee members: Mary Brzezniak, Magda Ciszewska, Diane Cortesi, Stan Dron, Angela Muszalski, and Marzena Staron.

Congratulations are extended to all the candidates because each of them participated in a wonderful tradition. For 47 years, we have honored the vision of the founder of the Ball, Regina Ocwieja, Past Vice President of the PRCUA. Mrs. Ocwieja's dream of promoting the Polish-American heritage of today's youth lives on through all the dedication of everyone who made the 47th Anniversary of the Cinderella Prince Charming Ball an exquisite night to remember. We look forward to everyone supporting the history, traditions and memories during our upcoming 48th Cinderella Prince Charming Ball on November 23, 2019 at Bobak's Signature Events in Woodridge, IL.

Please save the date for the annual Fashion Show March 3, 2019 at the Camelot in Hickory Hills, IL. This year's Fashion Show will be celebrating its 44th Anniversary and we are always looking for former candidates, Cinderella and Prince Charmings to support this fundraising event. Please contact the fashion show chairperson, Liz Dynowski at (708) 846-2004 if interested in volunteering for this event.

One of the greatest ways to honor our Polish-American heritage is to continue to support the traditions and events of the PRCUA that are integral in our lives. The Cinderella Prince Charming Ball has seen multiple generations participate in its beautiful event. I'm honored to note in this year's article as the newly elected District #8 Director that I was able to participate in the night's festivities as an honored guest. I am proud to see so many parents who attended Polish School, Polish Dance, and other PRCUA functions 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 Prince Charming Ball with their children and grandchildren.

Article written by: Liz Dynowski

Candidates' Biographies

Joanna Burdzy of Chicago, IL is the 15 year old 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 dance team. She enjoys playing in Band. Joanna is in her first year at the Św. Błażej Polish Language High School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 9 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 Burdzy of Chicago, IL is the 15 year old daughter of Elzbieta and Marek Burdzy. She is a sophomore at Lincoln Park High School in Chicago. Katarzyna is a member of the volleyball team and dance team. She enjoys playing in band and recently received a band scholarship. Katarzyna is in her first year at the Św. Błażej Polish Language High School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 9 years, and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Katarzyna is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.

Alexandria Cislo of Lockport, IL is the 16 year old daughter of Elizabeth and Myron Cislo. She is a junior at Lockport Township High School in Lockport, where she is on the honor roll. Both of her parents are past candidates, and her father is currently Director of District 8. Alexandria enjoys dancing. Alexandria is 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 ten years. Alexandria is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Alexandria is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1622.

Liliana Cislo of Lockport, IL is the 14 year old daughter of Elizabeth and Myron Cislo. She is a freshman at Lockport Township High School in Lockport, where she is on the high honor roll. Both of her parents are past candidates, and her father is currently Director of District #8. Liliana is a member of the Bust Buddies Club and Powder Puff. Liliana is in her first 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 ten years. Liliana is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Liliana is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1622.

Olivia Duda of Bridgeview, IL is the 16 year old daughter of Jolanta and Pawel Duda. She is a sophomore at Oak Lawn High School, where she is on the high honor roll with a grade point average over 4.0 and has received a presidential award. Olivia is a part of NHS, Art Club, and the World Language Club. She enjoys playing the piano, reading books, studying about animals, listening to music and volunteering at a Children's Farm and Zoo. Olivia is currently in her second year at the Maria Konopnicka Polish Language High School. Olivia is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.

Karolina Gal of Lemont, IL is the 15 year old daughter of Anna and Marian Gal. She is a sophomore at Lemont High School in Lemont, where she is on the high honor roll. Karolina is a member of the Tennis Team, Model U.N. Club, HOSA, and Mu Alpha Theta. She enjoys dancing, and



Olivia Witek



Michael Klempka



Sabina Slubowski



**Izabela Pikul,
Aleksander Sacinski**



**Alexandria Cislo,
Kevin Wildhirt**



**Joanna Burdzy,
Andrew Handzel**



**Gabriela Stoch,
Bart Przytula**

playing the piano and violin. Karolina is 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 7 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Karolina is a member of PRCUA Soc. #993.



**Tanya Sacinski,
Arthur Rykala**

Izabella Pikul of Homer Glen, IL is the 15 year old daughter of Grażyna and Marek Pikul. She is a sopho-more at Lockport Township High School in Lockport where she is an honor student. Izabella is in first year of the Król Kazimierz Wielki 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. Izabella is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1622.

Karolina Rozanski of Palos Park, IL is the 15 year old daughter of Agnes and Wesley Rozanski. She is a sophomore at Amos Alonzo Stagg High School in Palos Hills where she is on the high honor roll. Karolina is a member of the varsity cross country team, varsity track and field team, debate team, and belongs to Youth and Government organization. Karolina is currently in her second year at the John Paul II Polish Language High School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 3 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Karolina is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.



**Joanna Staron,
Thomas Czerwien**

Tanya Sacinski of Homer Glen, IL is the 14 year old daughter of Desiree and Andrzej Sacinski. She is a freshman at Lockport Township High School in Lockport, Illinois where she is on the honor roll. Tanya enjoys dancing and traveling. Tanya attended the John Paul II Polish Language School for 5 years. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 4 years as well as the Polanie Dancers of John Paul II Polish School for 8 years. Tanya is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Tanya is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1622.



**Karolina Rozanski,
Arthur Rykala**

Sabina Slubowski of Burbank, IL is the 16 year old daughter of Elżbieta and Zbigniew Slubowski. She is a junior at St. Laurence High School in Burbank where she is on the honor roll. Sabina is a member of the cross country team, POM's, track team and the competitive dance team. Sabina 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 and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Sabina is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.

Joanna Staron of Chicago, IL is the 16 year old daughter of Marzena and Ryszard Staron. She is a junior at Nazareth Academy in LaGrange Park where she is on the honor roll. Joanna is a member of the lacrosse team, Math Club, Roadrunner Club, and Youth Initiative. She enjoys playing in band and the Polska Orkiestra Ludowa. Joanna is a graduate of 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.



**Liliana Cislo, Oskar Witek,
Karolina Gal**

Gabriella Stoch of Lemont, IL is the 15 year old daughter of Michelle and Krzysztof Stoch. She is a sophomore at Lemont High School in Lemont, Illinois where she is on the honor roll. Gabriella is a member of HOSA, the Interact Club, and the World Language Club. She enjoys dancing. Gabriella is in her second year at the John Paul II Polish Language High School. She was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 10 years and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Gabriella is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.



**Katarzyna Burdzy,
Bartłomiej Klempka, Olivia Duda**

Klaudia Widur of Plainfield, Illinois is the 14 year old daughter of Urszula and Wojciech Widur. She is a freshman at Plainfield North High School in Plainfield, Illinois where she is on the high honor roll. Klaudia is a member of the volleyball team, Astronomy Club and Art Club. She enjoys horseback riding, music, and playing on the piano and clarinet. Klaudia is in her first year at the John Paul II Polish Language High School. Klaudia is a member of PRCUA Society #1636.



**Emily Wozny, Lukasz Skowrya,
Klaudia Widur**

Olivia Witek of Lemont, IL is the 15 year old daughter of Agnieszka and Mariusz Witek. She is a sophomore at Lemont High School in Lemont. Olivia is a member of the volleyball team. Olivia is currently in her third 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 11 years, and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Olivia is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1605.

Emily Wozny of Chicago, ILs is the 15 year old daughter of Agnieszka and Zbigniew Wozny. She is a freshman at Lake View High School in Chicago, where she is in Honors and Advanced Placement classes. Emily is a member of the JROTC Program. She enjoys dancing and doing makeup. Emily is in her second to last year at Polska Szkoła Stefan Kardynał Wyszyński High School. She has been a member of the Polonia Dance Ensemble of PRCUA for 9 years. Emily is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1638.

Thomas Czerwien of Chicago, IL is the 15 year old son of Kazimierz and Renata Czerwien. He is a freshman at Jones College Prep in Chicago, where he is on the honor roll. Thomas is a member of the

cross country team, track team, math team, Computer Science Club, Olimpiad and enjoys Boy Scouts. Thomas is in his first year at the Św. Błażej Polish Language High School. He was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 10 years, and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Thomas is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.

Andrew Handzel of Homer Glen, IL is the 14 year old son of Teresa and Piotr Handzel. He is a freshman at Lockport Township High School in Lockport. Andrew is a member of the National Honor Society. Andrew is currently in his first year at the Jan Brzechwa Polish Language High School. He was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing, and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Andrew is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.

Bartłomiej Klempka of Park Ridge, IL is the 16 year old son of Agata Zgiet and Lukasz Belda. He is a senior at Maine South High School in Park Ridge, where he has been student of the month in Health Class and Biology. Bartłomiej is on the water polo team, member of the Polish Club, and Ping Pong Club. He enjoys soccer, motocross, basketball and dance. Bartłomiej is currently in his third year at Tadeusz Kościuszko Polish Language High School. He is currently a member of the Polonia Polish Folk Song and Dance Ensemble. Bartłomiej is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1624.

Michał Klempka of Park Ridge, IL is the 17 year old son of Agata Zgiet and Lukasz Belda. He is a senior at Maine South High School in Park Ridge, where he is on the Foreign Language Honor Roll. Michał is on the National Honor Society, German National Honor Society, a member of the soccer team, water polo team, swim team, Ping Pong Club, and the CBA Law Debate Club. He is the president of the Polish Club and the German Club at Maine South. Michał is a graduate of Tadeusz Kościuszko Polish Language High School. He is currently a member of the Polonia Polish Folk Song and Dance Ensemble. Michał is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1624.

Bart Przytula of Palos Park, IL is the 15 year old son of Agnieszka and Marek Przytula. He is a sophomore at Amos Alonzo Stagg High School in Palos Hills. Bart is on the junior varsity swim team. He enjoys playing soccer, swimming, water polo and dance. Bart 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.

Arthur Rykala of Chicago, IL is the 14 year old son of Elżbieta and Thomas Rykala. He is a freshman at St. Rita High School in Chicago. Arthur is a member of the basketball team. Arthur is in his first year at the Św. Błażej Polish Language High School. He is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Arthur is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1634.

Aleksander Sacinski of Homer Glen, IL is the 14 year old son of Desiree and Andrzej Sacinski. He is a freshman at Lockport Township High School in Lockport, where he is on the honor roll. Aleksander enjoys dancing, fishing, skiing and traveling. Aleksander attended the John Paul II Polish Language School. He was a member of the PRCUA Southwest Center of Polish Dancing for 4 years, as well as the Polanie Dancers of John Paul II Polish School for 8 years. Aleksander is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Aleksander is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1622.

Lucas Skowrya of Hickory Hills, IL is the 16 year old son of Nathalie and Ricky Skowrya. He is a junior at Amos Alonzo Stagg High School in Palos Hills where he is on the honor roll. Both of his parents are past candidates. His mother was Cinderella 1988. Lucas is a member of the National Honor Society, member of the symphonic band, and varsity tennis team. He is currently taking CAD design and is interested in a career in engineering. He is a caddy at Crystal Tree Country Club, and during his spare time loves music and plays multiple instruments, including the saxophone, guitar and piano. Lucas also has his Shotokan Karate Black Belt. Lucas 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.

Kevin Wildhirt of Lockport, IL is the 14 year old son of Wiesława and David Wildhirt. He is a freshman at Lockport Township High School in Lockport, where he is on the honor roll and taking Advanced Placement classes. Kevin is a graduate of John Paul II Polish School. He is currently a member of the Polanie Dancers of John Paul II Polish School, as well as a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Kevin is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1636.

Oskar Witek of Lemont, IL is the 15 year old son of Agnieszka and Mariusz Witek. He is currently a sophomore at Lemont High School in Lemont. Oskar is a member of the Lemont Indians Soccer Team. Oskar is currently in his third 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 11 years, and is currently a member of the Wesoly Lud Polish Folk Dance Company of PRCUA. Oskar is a member of PRCUA Soc. #1605.



**Most Reverend Bishop
Andrew P. Wypych**



**Consul General
Piotr Janicki**



**National Anthems: Anna
Ray and Mateusz Bomba**



**2019 Cinderella & Prince Charming Candidates, PRCUA Officers and their spouses,
PRCUA District #8 and #9 National Directors**

ZAJĄCZEK DANCE ENSEMBLE NEWS



Halka and Zajaczek dancers with Thomas Lisiecki and Colleen Bonkowski



HALKA-ZAJĄCZEK Dance Ensemble Performs Again!!!

Together again! Two dance groups, one dance family. This perfectly describes the collaboration and cohesiveness of this group of dancers. Halka-Zajaczek Dance Ensemble was created with one goal in mind, to travel to Poland and perform in the International Children's Festival held in Iwonicz-Zdrój, Poland. This was accomplished in July 2018 and the end result: memories and friendships that will last a lifetime! Once again, this group gathered to perform for the American Polish Century Club Men's Club Christmas party held on Friday, December 14, 2018 at the club in Sterling Heights, MI. Performing two of their dances from their Poland repertoire, the Krakowiak and Opoczno, the group dazzled the audience. Thank you dancers for once again coming together to promote our Polish heritage with your talent and enthusiasm. God bless you in the New Year and beyond.



A BREAKFAST with MEANING.....

For Unto Us a Child is born.....Isaiah 9:6-7

Most people start their day eating some type of breakfast. However, on Saturday, December 15, 2018, the Zajaczek Dance Ensemble family began their Annual Family Christmas Breakfast in a different manner....reenacting the birth of our Lord, the Christmas miracle. As family and friends gathered at the American Polish Century Club in Sterling Heights, Michigan everyone took a moment to enjoy watching our dancers participate in this live performance. Our 2019 graduates were given the privilege of narrating the story of the birth of Christ, while our high school and middle school dancers sang in the Zajaczek choir. Our younger dancers played the roles of angels, wise men, Mary, Joseph, and the Baby Jesus. Ironically, our newest member to the Zajaczek family, baby Roman Sobolic was available to execute the role of the baby Jesus beautifully!!

Later, the morning continued not only with a delicious breakfast buffet served with Polish flare by the Century Banquet Center, but the exchange of the Oplatek wafer, a Christmas Eve tradition. Raffle baskets adorned the room, along with a "share the wealth" raffle, both serving as fundraisers for our Dance Ensemble. The excitement began to build as our group anticipated the arrival of our special visitor from the North Pole! When the guest of the morning finally did arrive, he patiently listened to everyone's Christmas wishes. As dancers and family members waited their turn in line, our younger dancers enjoyed having their faces painted, a balloon animal creation, Elsa from the movie Frozen, and a craft table. As these activities occupied our younger participants, our 2019 Zajaczek graduates were given the task of seeking out the ugliest Christmas sweaters worn by a female and male adult attendee. As this was quite the task, our proud winners were delighted with their prizes and the honor of being nominated as the "Ugliest dressed person at the breakfast!!!" It was a morning of fun, a morning of tradition, and a morning to celebrate Christmas with our Polish dance family!



Articles submitted by: Karrie Westphal,
Secretary, Zajaczek Dance Ensemble
Photography by: Mrs. Mary Ann Smigiel

HALKA-ZAJĄCZEK Dance Ensemble ... Express Style!!!

On Friday, December 21, 2018, six dancers from the combined dance group, Halka-Zajaczek Dance Ensemble, from Detroit, MI, dazzled an audience of 192 members as they performed at the Brownstown Community Center in Brownstown, Michigan for an "Old World" Christmas themed party, featuring the country of Poland. This inaugural gathering was the creation of Mrs. Tricia Balan, Lifestyle Director for the 600+ home community, along with her co-chair (resident) Joanne Krantz, who planned the event which consisted of a menu of Polish cuisine, the tradition of the Oplatek wafer exchange, an accordion player proudly serenading everyone with many wonderful Polish songs, and of course, a Polish dance ensemble performance. The "express version" of Halka-Zajaczek Dance Ensemble showcased their dancing skills to three main songs; first the Krakowiak, one of the five National Dances of Poland, second, the St. Nick Polka, and third, the Christmas Polka.

As part of the third Polka, the dancers asked audience members to join them on the dance floor and demonstrate their Polish dance skills! The result was that the Community Center turned into a Polska Zabawa - translation, a Polish Party!! Smiles shared, memories cherished! Thank you, Brownstown Community Center for an evening of Polish culture and pride. The following Halka-Zajaczek Dancers participated in this event: Evelyn Kasperek, Maria Kasperek, Zack Palencik, Natalie Palencik, Christian Palencik, and Olivia Westphal. Until next time.....



Our Most Holy Mass ...with Polish Flare!

On Sunday, January 6, 2019, the New Year began with a special Mass at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Utica, Michigan, earmarked for honoring Poland and our Polish heritage. Church Pastor Father Roman Pasieczny, along with Deacon Marion Jurewicz from St. Martin de Porres Church in Warren, Michigan, celebrated the Mass together with the Filarets Mixed Choir from Troy, Michigan. Christmas songs were sung by the choir in both Polish and English and followed the format of the Mass. Father Roman led much of the singing as we enjoyed his very vivacious homily explaining the traditions of Christmas practiced in Poland. Dancers from the Zajaczek Dance Ensemble from Sterling Heights, MI, attended the Mass in their traditional Polish dance costumes, which made Father Roman's smile even brighter! Blessings to everyone as we embark upon a New Year sharing as one community, our faith and our heritage.



Articles submitted by: Karrie Westphal,
Secretary, Zajaczek Dance Ensemble

Zajaczek Dance Ensemble is hosting
POLSKA ZABAWA
 NieZdrowie It's a Polish Party!
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\$30
POLSKA ZABAWA
ADMIT ONE
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 Polish Street Food • OPEN BAR • DJ Entertainment
Be ready for fun...
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PRCUA
Zajaczek Dance Ensemble

14th Annual Performance
of
Music, Song, and Dance

Saturday, March 9, 2019
2:30 p.m.

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

Admission \$8.00

Any past PRCUA Alumni who would like to participate in our annual recital, please contact:
 Colleen Bonkowski - zajaczekdance@yahoo.com
 Rachael Kasperek - rocki_road@yahoo.com
 Tricia Dennis - triciamdennis@gmail.com



DEARLY DEPARTED
PRCUA BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Member	Society	State	Member	Society	State
Antczak, Stanley M.	2220	OH	Martin, Helen	445	MN
Backing, Edwin G.	997	WI	Mazurkiewicz, Mary A.	124	OH
Blake, Jr, Dennis G.	1031	IN	Misiaszek, Mary A.	459	NY
Celeskey, Gerald	718	MI	Nicalek, Mary L.	247	OH
Cholewa, Henry	179	IL	Osborne, Eleanor	2248	OH
Chopus, Genevieve	262	CT	Plotkowski, Gloria N.	261	MI
Cybulski, Florence	1000	IL	Pyanowski, Ann	1122	NY
Dean, John	237 & 1380	PA	Reagan, Aniela	384	PA
Dilley, Donald	719	OH	Rogalski, Michael	2148	CA
Dittrich, Helen R.	2009	NJ	Sieracki, Florence	1486	CT
Drasba, Edna A.	540	NY	Sokol, Veronica	540	NY
Dubieliak, Francis J.	2206	OH	Sorlie, Adeline	893	MN
Januska, Harriet	2051	NJ	Sowinski, Lorraine	283	WI
Jeznach, Erma A.	2053	PA	Stark, Mary	105	KS
Kendzior, Stefania	317	IL	Stefaniak, Virginia M.	162	MI
Kraus, Mary	1415	IL	Stepien, Wanda B.	750	CA
Kulas, Fred	2315	MI	Sturtevant, Jean A.	2303	WI
Kwiecien, Frank	78	MI	Szymkowiak, Ludwika	2291	PA
Lachowski, John	712	NY	Tarnowski, Betty	540	NY
Liggett, Edward F.	1451	OH	Venard, Doris J.	2144	OH
Litsky, Alvera	322	PA	Warren, John	750	NY
Locke, Barbara A.	1612	IL	Wasilewski, Joan M.	2274	MI
Luzczak, Thomas L.	1559	IL	Zegarsky, Theresa R.	213	WV
Maroto, Lisa	1420	CT			

May they rest in eternal peace.

POLISH NEWS BYTES

Compiled by Robert Strybel, Warsaw Correspondent

Poland supports ecology but cannot abandon coal - Addressing a United Nations climate conference, Polish President Andrzej Duda said his country was “prepared to take its share of responsibility for international security including climate policy. (...) Poland, now marking the centennial of its regained independence, is actively working for peaceful cooperation between states, based on the principles of international law, equality, solidarity and mutual respect.” But Duda added that his coal-reliant nation has no plans to totally abandon that fossil fuel, whose easily mineable resources are sufficient for the next 40 years. The two-week conference, attracting some 30,000 delegates from around the globe, was held in the industrial city of Katowice, one of Poland’s most smog-choked metropolises.

Poland has significantly reduced emissions - Prime Minister Mateusz Morawiecki, a strong proponent of pro-environmental innovation told a UN climate conference taking place in Katowice that, “Poland has made huge achievements in becoming more energy efficient over the past 25 years.” He pointed out its “reduction of carbon emissions and its promotion of electric vehicles.” Morawiecki has also campaigned for better home insulation so less air-polluting fuel is needed for home heating. He also cited ongoing afforestation, which increases air-purifying chlorophyll. Delegates from around the world were whisked to and from their hotels in modern, non-polluting electric buses.



DETROIT RED WINGS
2018-19 GROUP TICKETS



POLISH
HERITAGE
NIGHT

Friday, March 29 vs. New Jersey Devils at 7:30 p.m.

Special ticket packages are available for Polish Heritage Night with the Detroit Red Wings. Packages include a specially priced Red Wings ticket, a limited-edition Red Wings/Polish Heritage scarf and access to a post-game photo at center ice. With your purchase of a ticket you will also be supporting the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America Scholarship Fund. This Education Fund Scholarship Program aids students in pursuit of an undergraduate, graduate or professional degree.

Polish Heritage Night Prices:
\$65 – Lower Level Corners
\$45 – 200 Level Sidelines, Rows 1-7
\$38 – 200 Level Sidelines, Rows 8+

Groups of 30 or more will receive an autographed puck for the group leader! For groups of 10 or more, call Kristen Knutson directly to pick your seat locations and have the per-ticket service fee waived.

To purchase tickets, visit www.DetroitRedWings.com/PolishHeritageNight
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In Lemont, IL
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15th

annual Polish Day:

“Stanisław Moniuszko
– father of Polish Opera”

For this occasion, we invite everyone
for a concert featuring Moniuszko’s songs,
performed by the best artists of classical music
with dance performances by “Polanie”.

During the event, we will also be announcing
“Lemont’s Poles of the Year”.

The concert will take place

February 17, 2019 at 3:00 pm

in the school building
on 608 Sobieski St., Lemont

FREE ADMISSION



POLONIA DANCE AND SONG ENSEMBLE
of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America

ANNUAL FAMILY
MARDI GRAS BALL

Saturday, February 16, 2019
from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.



CRYSTAL PALACE BANQUETS
1070 S. Elmhurst Rd., Mt. Prospect, IL
\$75 Adults (open bar)
\$35 Children (ages 3-12)

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appetizers, delicious dinner, open bar
games and fun
music by DJ KOVAL

For reservations/tickets call: 847-529-2555

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10 Mittens
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Find the way:


Connect the dots and
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LUTY

2 DETROIT, MI – „FOWLING FUNDRAISER” - ZBIÓRKA FUNDUSZY ZESPOŁU „GWIAZDA”, sobota, 2 lutego o godz. 20:00-22:00, Fowling Warehouse, 3901 Christopher St., Detroit, MI. Wyłącznie dla osób w wieku powyżej 21 lat. \$20 od osoby (w cenie: wpisowe i pizza). Bilety tylko w przedsprzedaży. W czasie wieczoru odbędą się loterie. Dodatkowe informacje pod numerem tel. (313) 682-3031 lub panijessica@hotmail.com.

7 DEARBORN HTS., MI – LOSOWANIE ZWYCZCÓW STYPENDIÓW TOW. #718, czwartek, 7 lutego o godz. 20:00, Randy's Bar & Grille, 25122 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn Hts., MI.

9 STERLING HTS., MI – POLSKA ZABAWA ZESPOŁU TAŃCA „ZAJĄCZEK”, sobota, 9 stycznia o godz. 18.00 w American Polish Century Club, 33204 Maple Lane, Sterling Hts., MI. Bilety - \$30 od osoby (w cenie polskie dania, DJ, otwarty bar. W programie gry i zabawy oraz loterie. Informacje i bilety: (586) 770-7397 lub zajaczekdance@yahoo.com.

9 LEMONT, IL – ZABAWA W STYLU LAT 1920-tych POLSKIEJ SZKOŁY IM. ŚW. JANA PAWŁA II, sobota, 9 lutego o godzinie 18:30, Crystal Grand Banquets, 12416 Archer Ave., Lemont, IL. Bilety: \$65 od osoby. Otwarty bar. Muzyka w wykonaniu zespołu Millenium. Szczegóły na str. 16.

10 STERLING HTS., MI – COROCZNY TURNIEJ KARCJANY „EUCHRE TOURNAMENT”, organizowany przez Tow. #1593, niedziela, 10 lutego, 5 Star Lanes, 2666 Metropolitan Parkway, Sterling Hts., MI, o godz. 13:00-16:00. Dodatkowe informacje: john_godin@yahoo.com lub Bwithers03@yahoo.com.

10 LEMONT, IL – OBIAD WALENTYNKOWY DYSTRYKTU #8 NA CZEŚĆ BYŁYCH DYREKTORÓW DYSTRYKTU: KRYSZTYN LECH I JAMESA RUSTIKA, niedziela, 10 lutego, Crystal Grand Banquets, 12416 Archer Ave., Lemont, IL. Bilety: \$35 od osoby (dzieci do lat 10 - \$15). Informacje: Danielle Kroplewski, tel. (312) 718-0169. Rezerwacje: Danielle Kroplewski, 13100 Ballycastle Court, Lemont, IL 60439 (do 1 lutego, 2019). Prosimy wystawiać czeki na: PRCUA District #8.

11 CHICAGO, IL – KWARTALNE ZEBRANIE DYSTRYKTU #7 ZPRKA, poniedziałek, 11 lutego, o godz. 19:00, świetlica ZPRKA, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL. Więcej informacji pod numerem (773) 782-2636.

16 BRIDGEVIEW, IL – ZABAWA KARNAWAŁOWA POLSKIEJ SZKOŁY IM. M. KONOPNICKIEJ, sobota, 16 lutego, Paradise Elegant Banquets, 9220 S. Harlem Ave., Bridgeview, IL. Wstęp o godz. 18:30. Rezerwacje: Danielle Kroplewski, tel. (312) 718-0169 lub Asia Niedzielski, tel. (708) 691-4348.

16 MT. PROSPECT, IL – DOROCZNY RODZINNY BAL KARNAWAŁOWY ZESPOŁU PIĘŚNI I TAŃCA „POLONIA”, sobota, 16 lutego o godz. 18:00-1:00, Crystal Palace Banquets, 1070 S. Elmhurst Rd., Mt. Prospect, IL. Rezerwacje i informacje: (847) 529-2555. Szczegóły na str. 19.

17 LEMONT, IL – XV DZIEŃ POLSKI KLUBU POLSKIEGO W LEMONT, niedziela, 17 lutego o godz. 15:00. 608 Sobieski St., Lemont, IL. Szczegóły na str. 17

18 DZIEŃ PREZYDENTÓW USA – biuro ZPRKA będzie zamknięte

18 ORLAND PARK, IL – KWARTALNE ZEBRANIE DYSTRYKTU #8 ZPRKA, poniedziałek, 18 lutego o godz. 19:00, w sali przy parafii Our Lady of the Woods, 10731 W. 131st. St., Orland Park, IL.

23 TROY, MI – 28. DOROCZNY BAL IM. SHIRLEY GALANTY NA CZEŚĆ ABSOLWENTÓW SZKÓŁ TAŃCA ZPRKA W STANIE MICHIGAN, sobota 23 lutego, San Marino Club, 1685 E. Big Beaver, Troy, MI. Koktajle - godz. 17:15; promenada - godz. 18:00; obiad - godz. 18:30. Do tańca grać będzie zespół Duane Malinowski Orchestra. Informacje i rezerwacje: Maria Jalkiewicz, tel. (586) 979-5164.

23 MUNSTER, IN – KOLACJA I ZABAWA POLSKIEJ SZKOŁY IM. ŚW. RAFAŁA KALINOWSKIEGO, sobota, 23 lutego, Carmelite Fathers Banquet Hall, 1628 Ridge Rd., Munster, IN. Drzwi otwarte o godz. 18:00, program rozpocznie się o 18:30 (kolacja i występ uczniów szkoły i tancerzy zespołu „Mała Polska”). Do tańca grać będzie DJ Lucas. Dodatkowe informacje i bilety: Małgorzata Blachut, tel. (219) 613-5148.

28 TŁUSTY CZWARTEK (POLSKA)

MARZEC

2 WESTLAND, MI – ROZGRYWKI KRĘGLARSKIE „BOWLING KNOCK-OUT” TOW. ŚW. STANISŁAWA #718 - sobota, 2 marca, Oak Lanes, 8540 Middlebelt, Westland, MI (skrzyżowanie Middlebelt & Joy Rd.) Rejestracja o 11:15, gry rozpoczną się o godz. 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 Rys, tel. (734) 459-9517. Uwaga: Rozgrywki pań mogą się zacząć z opóźnieniem.

3 HICKORY HILLS, IL – DOROCZNY POKAZ MODY GRUPY KULTURALNEJ DOROSŁYCH, niedziela, 3 marca, Camelot Banquets, 8624 W. 95th St., Hickory Hills, IL. Wejście o godz. 11:00; lunch o godz. 12:00. Dodatkowe informacje i rezerwacje: Liz lub Walter Dynowski, tel. (708) 532-1541. Szczegóły na str. 20.

4 CHICAGO, IL – STANOWE OBCHODY DNIA PUŁASKIEGO, poniedziałek, 4 marca, godz. 10:00, w Wielkiej Sali im. Sabin F. Logisz, Muzeum Polskie w Ameryce, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL. BIURO ZPRKA BĘDZIE ZAMKNIĘTE

5 TŁUSTY WTÓREK (USA)

6 ŚRODA POPIELCOWA

8 WYANDOTTE, MI – ROZGRYWKI KRĘGLARSKIE I ZBIÓRKA FUNDUSZY ZESPOŁU „ROGALIN”, piątek, 8 marca, Indian Lanes, 4500-13th St., Wyandotte, MI. Zgłoszenie obecności o godz. 21:15; rozgrywki od godz. 21:30. Wstęp: \$25 od osoby (w cenie: 3 rozgrywki, wypożyczenie butów i pizza). Każda drużyna musi się składać z co najmniej 5 osób. Zgłoszenia muszą być dostarczone do 5 marca. Dodatkowe informacje: Lisa Brandt, tel. (734) 775-7987 lub Amber Cornell, tel. (734) 771-7612.

8 TOLEDO, OH – OBIAD PIEROGOWY ZESPOŁU „ECHOES OF POLAND”, piątek, 8 marca, PRCUA Hall, 5255 Detroit, Toledo, OH, o godz. 16:00-20:00. Koszt obiadu \$10 - dorośli, \$5 - dzieci (w tym 4 pierogi, sałata, jarzyny, chleb, masło, deser, kawa i napój owocowy). Przyjmowane są wcześniejsze zamówienia na wynos: 12 pierogów w cenie \$9.00 (z serem, ziemniakami, kapustą kiszoną lub mieszane z serem i ziemniakami), zamówienia można składać do 9 marca pod nr. telefonu: (419) 531-8658 lub (419) 475-6262.

9 WARREN, MI – 14. DOROCZNY WYSTĘP ZESPOŁU „ZAJĄCZEK”, sobota, 9 marca o godz. 14:30, Warren Woods Auditorium, 13400 E. 12 Mile Rd., Warren, MI. Wstęp - \$8.00. Byli tancerze, którzy chcieliby wziąć udział w występie, proszeni są o kontakt z Colleen Bonkowski - zajaczekdance@yahoo.com, Rachel Kasperek - rocki_road@yahoo.com, Tricia Dennis - triciadennis@gmail.com.

10 CHICAGO, IL – DOROCZNY OBIAD CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE Distr. #7 ZPRKA, niedziela, 10 marca, świetlica ZPRKA, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL. Początek o godz. 13:00, obiad o godz. 14:00. Szczegóły str. 19.

10 ZMIANA CZASU Z ZIMOWEGO NA LETNI

16 STERLING HTS., MI – 85. OGÓLNOKRAJOWY TURNIEJ KOSZYKÓWKI ZPRKA, sobota, 16 marca, Warren Community Center, 5460 Arden Ave., Warren, MI i w Warren Woods Christian School, 14000 Thirteen Mile Rd., Warren, MI. Gospodarzem jest Tow. Św. Rity #1368 ZPRKA. Dodatkowe informacje: PRCUA Fraternal Department, tel. (773) 782-2636. Szczegóły poniżej.

20 POCZĄTEK WIOSNY

29 DETROIT, MI – NOC POLSKIEGO DZIEDZICTWA Z DRUŻYNĄ RED WINGS. Drużyna Detroit Red Wings zagra przeciwko New Jersey Devils, piątek, 29 marca o godz. 19:30. Część wpływów ze sprzedaży biletów zasili Fundusz Edukacyjny ZPRKA. Przed rozpoczęciem meczu wystąpi zespół taneczny „Opole” ZPRKA. Szczegóły w angielskiej sekcji, na str. 14.

31 DOROCZNE BŁOGOSŁAWIENSTWO SZKÓŁ TANECZNYCH W DETROIT, MI – niedziela 31 marca.

Prosimy o zapoznanie się z terminarzem zebrań Towarzystw na str. 2.



85. Ogólnokrajowy Turniej Koszykówki ZPRKA

Sobota, 16 marca 2019 r., Warren, MI

85. Ogólnokrajowy Turniej Koszykówki ZPRKA odbędzie się w sobotę, 16 marca 2019 r. w Warren, MI. Gospodarzem tegorocznego turnieju jest Tow. Św. Rity #1368 ZPRKA, przewodniczącym komitetu organizacyjnego jest Jerry Lubiarz.

Dla zawodników i gości oferowane są pokoje po specjalnej cenie w hotelu Homewood Suites by Hilton, 31993 Van Dyke Ave., Warren, MI. Pokoje King Suite dostępne są w cenie \$119/noc (większe pokoje dostępne za wyższą opłatą). Każdy pokój posiada aneks kuchenny. W cenę pokoju jest wliczone ciepłe śniadanie oraz dowóz na bankiet i z powrotem. Rezerwacje: (586) 979-7600 muszą być dokonane do 1 marca 2019 r. Rezerwując pokój należy nadmienić PRCUA w celu uzyskania powyżej przedstawionej ceny.

Turniej rozgrywany będzie w dwóch salach gimnastycznych:

- Warren Community Center - 5460 Arden Ave Warren, MI
- Warren Woods Christian School – 14000 Thirteen Mile Rd. Warren, MI

Dla zawodników zostanie przygotowany lunch.

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

W piątek, 15 marca o godz. 19:00, odbędzie się w Homewood Suites by Hilton, 31993 Van Dyke Ave Warren, MI wieczór integracyjny. Bezpłatnie dostępny będzie poczęstunek i napoje.

Rozdanie nagród odbędzie się w sobotę, 16 marca w Father Kramer Knights of Columbus, 7400 Bernice St., Center Line, MI. Drzwi otwarte o godz. 18:00. Obiad w polskim stylu, otwarty bar, muzyka, loteria 50/50 i wiele niespodzianek. Po obiedzie - rozdanie nagród.

Rozkład Mszy św.:

- w kościele St. Anne's, 32000 Mound Rd., Warren, MI - godz. 8:45 i 11:00.
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James J. Robaczewski, prezes
Micheline I. Jaminski, wiceprezes
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Refleksje po bożonarodzeniowych występach w Polskiej Szkole im. Św. Rafała Kalinowskiego

Boże Narodzenie to czas, kiedy wszyscy stają się dla siebie bardziej życzliwi, miłsi i zapominają o wszelkich sporach. To również czas radosnego świętowania, koledowania, łamania się opłatkiem i składania sobie życzeń, ale również czas przedstawień ukazujących tradycje bożonarodzeniowe.

W niedzielę 2 grudnia 2018 r. odbył się „Opłatek” ZPRKA w Casa Maria w Dyer, IN. Gospodarzem tegorocznego spotkania był Dystrykt #9 ZPRKA ze specjalnym występem artystyczno-tanecznym grupy „Mała Polska” wraz z rodzicami.

Program rozpoczęli oficjalnym powitaniem dyrektor Dystryktu #9 Elizabeth Sadus i prezes ZPRKA James Robaczewski. Pani Evelyn Tolpa-Lisek i uczennice Polskiej Szkoły im. Św. Rafała Kalinowskiego odpiewały hymny narodowe, a następnie dyrektor Sadus wymieniła obecnych na uroczystości gości specjalnych, dziękując im za przybycie i wsparcie.

Obiad rozpoczął się staropolską tradycją dzielenia się opłatkiem, który jest symbolem pojednania i przebaczenia, znakiem przyjaźni i miłości. Oczywiście nie zabrakło wzajemnego składania sobie życzeń świątecznych i noworocznych.

Po obiedzie grupa taneczna „Mała Polska” i rodzice pod kierunkiem nauczyciela tańca pani Agaty Wilgocki i pani Barbary Golko przygotowali opowieść o narodzeniu Bożego Dzieciątka. Nasi tancerze wprowadzili gości w chwilę zadumy i oczekiwania słowami piosenki:

„Jest taki dzień, bardzo ciepły choć grudniowy,
dzień, zwykły dzień, w którym gasną wszelkie spory.”

Publiczność mogła przeżyć historię Marii i Józefa szukających miejsca schronienia na noc, którzy po bezowocnych poszukiwaniach zdecydowali się przenocować w stajni. Rodzice - aktorzy spisali się wspaniale prezentując narodzenie Dzieciątka Jezus, które zostało ciepło przyjęte przez zebranych i nagrodzone gromkimi brawami. Całość przedstawienia pokazująca scenki z życia nowonarodzonego dzieciątka, mędrców, dzieci oraz aniołów przeplatana była wierszami i koledkami.

W opowieści bożonarodzeniowej wystąpili: wiersze i śpiew – zespół taneczny „Mała Polska”: Brzoska Damian, Dudzik David, Jankech Izabela, Juchniewicz Maya, Juchniewicz Patrick, Julecka Ewelina, Maksym Sofia, Matson Evelyn, Otworowski Kevin, Otworowski Kyle, Panasewicz Adrian, Piszczatowski Alexander, Piszczatowski Casimir, Piszczatowski Maximilian, Przybysz Wiktoria, Świętoko Robert, Trybula David, Trybula Eliza, Wilgocki Oliver, Wilgocki Veronica i Eva Lopatniuk-Lopez.

W roli Świętej Rodziny wystąpili: Maryja – p. Monika Otworowski i Józef – p. Wiesław Kleszczewski. W rolach aniołów: Archanioł Gabriel – p. Anna Dudzik, Anioł – p. Magdalena Przybysz i mały aniołek – uczennica klasy 2 Noah Wygocki. Naszą Gwiazdą była pani Dorota Jankech, w rolach Trzech Króli wystąpili: Melchior – p. Grzegorz Juchniewicz, Kacper – p. Marek Brzoska, Baltazar – p. Michał Dudzik.

Na uwagę zasługuje również piękna scenografia i stroje naszych tancerzy. To dzięki naszej pani Agacie, światłom, szopce, pięknej muzyce i dzieciom ubranym w stroje krakowskie, każdy z nas na chwilę zapomniał, że za oknem zima już tuż tuż.

Po występie dzieci odwiedził długo oczekiwany, specjalny gość, Święty Mikołaj, który jak wiemy przybywa z bardzo daleka niosąc prezenty dla dzieci. Uśmiechów, które pojawiły się na twarzyczkach dzieci, nie da się opisać.

Miłe, świąteczne popołudnie zakończyła loteria fantowa przygotowana przez Rodziców naszej szkolnej grupy tanecznej „Mała Polska”. Cały dochód z loterii został przeznaczony na potrzeby grupy.

Wszyscy chcemy, aby magia Świąt Bożego Narodzenia pozostała w nas jak najdłużej, więc niech Szopka z Dzieciątkiem Jezus rozświetla nasze życia, daje nam nadzieję, miłość i wiarę.

Barbara Golko - wych. kl. 2 i 4



Archanioł Gabriel

Przedstawienie historii narodzin Jezusa w wykonaniu dzieci nas rodziców wywołało wiele emocji, dało nam poczucie wartości i stało się motywacją do nowych działań..

W tym dniu poczuliśmy atmosferę zbliżających się Świąt Bożego Narodzenia, było to niezapomniane przeżycie, które długo zostanie w naszej pamięci, a piękna scenografia nadała temu wyjątkowemu spotkaniu „magiczny nastrój”.

Chciałam wraz z mężem i synem Davidkiem, serdecznie podziękować p. Agacie i p. Basi za tak pięknie przygotowane przedstawienie, a dzieciom i Wam rodzice, za trud, który zaowocował radosnym przeżyciem „Jasełek”.

Anna Dudzik



Maryja

Na wstępie chcę bardzo serdecznie podziękować paniom Agacie Wilgocki i Barbarze Golko za pomysł zaangażowania rodziców do wspólnego wystąpienia na scenie razem ze swoimi dziećmi. Osobiście było to dla mnie niesamowite przeżycie móc poczuć emocje jakie przeżywają dzieci przed swoimi występami jak również nasze dzieci miały możliwość zobaczenia swoich rodziców zupełnie w odmiennym roli niż na co dzień. Występ bożonarodzeniowy na „Opłatku” był dla mnie bardzo miłym doświadczeniem, gdyż nie często zdarza się, aby rodzice występowali na jednej scenie ze swoimi dziećmi, więc tym bardziej była to dla wszystkich świetna zabawa. Moi synowie Kyle i Kevin Otworowski byli ze mnie bardzo dumni, a ja z nich.

Podczas przygotowań rodzice mieli możliwość poznania się lepiej tworząc tym samym zgraną grupę, która świetnie zaprezentowała się na scenie. Jestem pełna podziwu dla wszystkich występujących „aktorów” za ich bezinteresowne zaangażowanie i czas jaki poświęcili przygotowując się do występu.

Jeszcze raz dziękuję pani Agacie i Basi za opracowanie scenariusza i piękną scenografię, która uświetniła i przybliżyła nam atmosferę przyścia Jezusa na świat. Był to bardzo wyjątkowy dla nas występ i na długo pozostanie w naszej pamięci.

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ZPiT „POLONIA” - W ŚWIĄTECZNYM WYDANIU

Magiczne Świąta z Zespołem Pieśni i Tańca „Polonia” ZPRKA

Miesiąc grudzień co roku obfituje w szereg imprez i atrakcji związanych z przygotowaniem i obchodem Świąt Bożego Narodzenia. Dla tancerzy z zespołu „Polonia”, działającego pod patronatem ZPRKA, jest to czas intensywnych przygotowań do zbliżających się występów.

Jednym z najbardziej unikalnych było przedstawienie „Magiczne Świąta” w Copernicus Center w Chicago, IL, w którym wszystkie grupy ZPiT „Polonia” uczestniczyły już po raz siódmy.

W tym roku młodzi tancerze „Małej Polonii” zaprezentowali suitę tańców beskidzkich w pięknych, nowych kostiumach, „Młoda Polonia” zatańczyła Poloneza do koledy „Bóg się rodzi”, starsi tancerze zaprezentowali publiczności pięknego zimowego walcza oraz siarczystą Polkę lubelską. Najmniejsze „Krasnoludki” popisały się tańcem śnieżynki.

Z podobnym repertuarem zespół „Polonia” występował na kilku kolejnych przedświątecznych spotkaniach wigilijnych oraz na Wigilii dla samotnych i ubogich, zorganizowanej po raz 19-ty przy bazylice św. Jacka w Chicago przez TV Polvision i radio 1030AM. Za każdym razem witano ich z uśmiechem i ciekawością, a żegnano ciepłymi brawami, szczerymi podziękowaniami i wyrazami zachwytu.

Kolejny rok i kolejne święta minęły bardzo uroczystie. Dla młodych tancerzy to kolejny sukces sceniczny, potwierdzający ich talent, profesjonalizm i miłość do polskiego folkloru i tradycji. Zapraszając wszystkich Państwa na kolejne występy zespołów „Krasnoludki”, „Mała Polonia”, „Młoda Polonia” oraz „Polonia”, pragnę podziękować dyrektor Annie Krysińskiej, założycielce Cecyli Rożnowskiej, dyrektorowi muzycznemu Mieczysławowi Dziś oraz instruktorom: Jaclyn Krysiński, Magdalenie Rożko, Nicole Romek, Emilce Wójciak i Lidii Ramotowskiej za edukację naszych dzieci oraz pogratulować wszystkim wspaniałym tancerzom, tym dużym i tym małym, za ich wytrwałość, jak również rodzicom za ich poświęcenie. Zapraszamy w nasze szeregi. Więcej informacji o naszym zespole i możliwości zapisania się do nas, można uzyskać dzwoniąc pod numer tel. 847-529-2555 lub pisząc na adres: poloniaensemble@prcu.org.

Dorota Romek



Przedstawienie Magiczne Świąta w Copernicus Center



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Boże Narodzenie w Generations at Regency Rehabilitation and Skilled Care Facility z Zespołem Pieśni i Tańca „Polonia”



Tancerze ZPiT Polonia w przedstawieniu bożonarodzeniowym w Regency Rehabilitation and Skilled Care Facility

Święta Bożego Narodzenia to okres refleksji, wspomnień, rodzinnych i przyjacielskich spotkań. Nasze myśli kierują się w stronę Ojczyzny. Wszyscy wspominamy święta, które obchodziliśmy w Polsce, wspominamy naszych bliskich, nasze tradycje i zwyczaje. Zgodnie z tradycją, ośrodek rehabilitacji i dom opieki Generations at Regency w Niles też obchodzi Boże Narodzenie i stara się zapoznać amerykańskich pacjentów z polskimi tradycjami. Wielu z nich, podobnie jak wielu mieszkańców Chicago ma przecież polskie korzenie. Natomiast polskim rezydentom Regency chce przybliżyć choć trochę Ojczyznę.

W niedzielę, 16 grudnia 2018 roku w Regency odbył się tradycyjny już koncert świąteczny w wykonaniu znanego całej Polonii ZPiT „Polonia” pod dyktando Anny Krysińskiej i znanej choreografki i propagatora polskiej kultury pani Cecylii Rożnowskiej. Program artystyczny obejmował tradycyjne polskie koledy śpiewane przy akompaniamencie dyr. muzycznego Mieczysława Dziś oraz tańce ludowe w wykonaniu małych artystów zespołu, występujących w przepięknych strojach ludowych. Śpiewano też amerykańskie koledy. Na zakończenie, artyści zaprosili wszystkich uczestników koncertu do wspólnego koledowania. Amerykańscy rezydenci zachwyceni byli polskimi koledami, tańcami i tradycyjnymi strojami ludowymi. Polski personel Regency jest dumny z tego, że w tak nietypowych warunkach jakim jest dom opieki i rehabilitacji, może stworzyć choćby cząstkę Ojczyzny.

Anna Kolis,
koordynator programu polskiego



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Zjednoczenie Polskie Rzymsko-Katolickie w Ameryce serdecznie wita w gronie organizacji nową polską szkołę – Jan Karski Polish School.

Polska Szkoła im. Jana Karskiego mieści się w Palos Heights, IL tuż przy Kościele Św. Aleksandra. Zajęcia odbywają się w soboty, w godzinach od 9 rano do 1 po południu. Program zajęć obejmuje nauczanie w języku polskim na poziomie od zerówki do szkoły średniej. W szkole prowadzone są lekcje religii po polsku, zajęcia przygotowujące do Pierwszej Komunii Świętej, a także do uzyskania certyfikatu dwujęzyczności. Sale lekcyjne są dostosowane do wieku uczniów. Kadre pedagogiczną stanowią wykwalifikowani i doświadczeni polonijni nauczyciele.

Patronem szkoły jest Jan Karski - żołnierz ruchu oporu podczas II Wojny Światowej, kurier i emisariusz władz Polskiego Państwa Podziemnego, świadek Holocaustu. To on alarmował Zachód o tragedii narodu żydowskiego. Karski był obywatelem Polski i Stanów Zjednoczonych, prawnikiem, dyplomata, historykiem, wykładowcą akademickim.

Przez ponad 40 lat, na Uniwersytecie w Georgetown, prowadził wykłady dotyczące stosunków międzynarodowych i teorii komunizmu. Jego publikacja „Story of a Secret State” opisująca działalność Polskiego Państwa Podziemnego, opublikowana w 1944 roku w USA, stała się bestsellerem i została przetłumaczona na wiele języków.



W 2019 rok PRCUA wkracza z nowym znakiem firmowym – **PRCUALife**. Pod nazwą tą odnajdą Państwo bogatą ofertę planów ubezpieczeniowych na życie i kont emerytalnych. Planowanie przyszłości nie powinno stanowić problemu, a raczej być procesem łatwym, do którego podchodzimy z lekkością. Stąd nawiązanie do „piórka”. Przedstawiciele PRCUA, wykorzystując dostępne narzędzia planowania ubezpieczeniowego i emerytalnego służą pomocą w zakresie przygotowania indywidualnie stworzonej pod Państwa potrzeby strategii finansowej na każdy etap życia. Wraz z nową nazwą i logo prezentujemy też atrakcyjną ofertę kont emerytalnych w nowej serii **PRCUALife Annuity PLUS**. Otwierając w **PRCUALife** nowe konto w serii PLUS lub wpłacając gotówkę na już istniejące konto zyskują Państwo wyższe oprocentowanie. Do wyboru są 3 serie. W serii GOLD PLUS, 8 letniej, uzyskują Państwo oprocentowanie 3.75%. W serii SILVER PLUS, 5 letniej - 3.00%, w serii BRONZE PLUS, 3 letniej - 2.25%. Minimum wpłaty wynosi \$ 1,000, a oprocentowanie, o którym mowa jest gwarantowane na 12 miesięcy. Promocja obowiązuje do **30 czerwca 2019 roku**.

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Polish Roman Catholic Union of America (j. pol. Zjednoczenie Polskie Rzymsko-Katolickie w Ameryce) jest najstarszą polonijną organizacją bratniej pomocy w Ameryce. Od 146 lat PRCUA w swojej działalności nawiązuje do głębokich korzeni wiary Rzymsko – Katolickiej, pielęgnuje miłość do Polski i wzmacnia swoją pozycję w polsko-amerykańskiej społeczności. Założone w 1873 roku, PRCUA to dziś także dynamicznie rozwijająca się instytucja finansowa, oferująca szeroką gamę planów ubezpieczeniowych na życie, kont emerytalnych, a jednocześnie organizacja oferująca szereg korzyści członkowskich. W swojej unikatowej misji ma zabezpieczenie potrzeb finansowych członków, jak również promocję polskiej kultury, tradycji i dziedzictwa.

Jako organizacja niedochodowa, PRCUA jest domem dla Muzeum Polskiego w Ameryce i jego chojnym donatorem. Zjednoczenie współfinansuje 23 zespoły tańca ludowego i szkoły języka polskiego. Dbamy o fizyczny rozwój naszych członków organizując ogólnokrajowe turnieje sportowe, a także wspieramy młodzież oferując stypendia naukowe. PRCUA wydaje swoją dwujęzyczną gazetę „Naród Polski” i liczne publikacje edukacyjne. Swoim patronatem obejmujemy szereg polsko-amerykańskich festiwali, pikników, koncertów i innych wydarzeń.

Wybierając ubezpieczenia na życie i konta emerytalne w **PRCUALife** zabezpieczasz przyszłość swoją i swojej rodziny, a jednocześnie stajesz się częścią naszej organizacji, mogąc czerpać szereg dodatkowych korzyści członkowskich.

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w sali im. Sabiny F. Logisz

Muzeum Polskiego w Ameryce

984 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL

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