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## **38th Convention News**

As we are sure that most of you are aware, the Polish Union will be holding its 38th Quadrennial Convention on September 12th and 13th, 2014. It will be held at the Best Western Genetti Convention Center in downtown Wilkes-Barre, PA.

Most of the credentials of the delegates have been submitted to the Office. As of the present time 66 credentials have been submitted. The various Convention Committees have started to hold their meetings. The first letter to the Delegates should be sent out in the second week of July.

The Search Committee for CEO/National Secretary is still accepting applications for this position. Resumes can be mailed to the Home Office, P.O. Box 660, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703-0660 c/o Search Committee Chairperson, Anthony Strzelecki. If you would like his home address, please contact the office at 570-823-1611.

Application blanks for candidates to run for Officers and/or Board Members are still available and must be submitted to the Committee Chair on or before July 15, 2014.

This is a reminder that anyone can attend the Polish Union's 38th Convention. However, only duly elected delegates (in accordance with the Constitution and By-laws) will have a voice and vote in business deliberation.

# The Convention Delegate's Role

Delegate's Role

The last few issues of our Journal included reference to our Convention scheduled for September 12 and 13, 2014 at Genetti's Best Western in Wilkes Barre, PA. The role and responsibility of Delegates is of prime importance, thus we wish to emphasize that for all who are being elected as Delegates by their respective Groups. Every member of the Convention has equal rights.

You have the distinct responsibility to represent and advocate for the needs of your members. Our Delegates come from all walks of life and collectively have a broad range of experience. Those assets brought to the Convention help shape the outcome of developments during the course of the Convention. As members of the Supreme governing body, the Delegates are expected to help formulate general plans for the incoming Board and Management Team.

ing Board and Management Team.

Each and every Delegate has the responsibility to critique matters before the body, calling upon their particular expertise to help assure favorable outcomes and keep fraternalism viable. When in doubt, ask questions. Your kind attention and viable input will guarantee a successful Convention

Bernard Kolodziej, President

## **Deb Ball Committee Meets**



Seated are Barbara O'Neill, Emily Stefanec Chair, Nicole Poplawski co-chair, and Cahrlotte L Androckitis.
Standing are William Giebus, Terri Rumensky, Debbie Zielinski, Maryann Arnold, Nancy Bachurek and Bernard Kolodziej.

The Debutante Ball Committee met recently at Alfredo's Restaurant in Scranton, PA. to begin planning this major event for 2014. Emily Stefanac, Chairperson, announced that her co-chair this year is Nicole Poplawski, former Miss Polish Union. The affair is scheduled for Saturday November 1, 2014 at Genetti's Best Western, Wilkes Barre, PA. Various details were discussed and recruitment of Deb candidates is

ongoing. Girls, age 15 to 19 years of age interested in becoming a Deb this year are invited to contact any Committee member or call the Home Office at 570-823-1611.

All 2014 Debs are eligible to compete for the Marion Vrabel Scholarship Award which is presented each year by Mrs. Elaine Larronde in memory of her mother, Marion Vrabel. Contact Emily Stefanac or our Home Office for further details.

## Pysanky Class Success Polish Union hosted a class in the traditional Ukrainian egg decorating art of

Polish Union hosted a class in the traditional Ukrainian egg decorating art of Pysanky on April 8. Tammy Budnovitch took her pupils through each step of the inticate process for the course that was held at St. Catherine of Sienna Church in Moscow, Pa.





# Looking for Ms. Polish Union

The Polish Union is looking for candidates to aspire for the title of Ms. Polish Union 2015. You must be a member between the ages of 15 to 19 and have time to participate in some of the activities of the Polish Union.

You can receive additional information and applications by contacting the Polish Union at (570) 823-1611 or e-mailing us at polunion@epix.net.

## Flag Day Marked in NY-NJ



At the recent June Executive Board Meeting of the New Jersey/New York Fraternal Alliance the annual Flag Day tribute was held

ute was held.

President of the New Jersey/New York

Fraternal Alliance, Justine Wesnak, coordinated the event. Pictured above are those Past Presidents, current Officers and Board Members of the New Jersey Fraternal Congress that attended the Board Meeting.

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## In Allemoriam Our sympathy to the families of

recently deceased members of Polish

Union of U.S.A.			
Group	Member	State	
395	Henry J. Dende	MA	
392	Robert Bogumil	PA	
163	Celia Stewarts	PA	
70	Theresa Letinski	PA	
400	Anastasia Forish	PA	
395	Mary Skorupka	PA	
258	Edward Pocztowski	IL	
189	Stanislawa Przybylinska	PA	
155	Edmund Lebiedz	NJ	
138	Martin Grzy (Gripp)	PA	
320	Wladyslawa Wasielewska	FL	
378	Jean F. Pajak	IL	
405	Stanley P. Brojakowski	PA	
401	Edward DePietro	PA	
502	Rosetta J. Johnson	PA	
70	Francis Miskiewicz	PA	
25	Francis Gregorek	NY	
502	Mary Greenya	PA	
321	Paula Kopicki	PA	
182	Jozef Kwolek	PA	
502	Evelyn M. Knox	PA	
155	Marie L. Risley	NJ	
257	Helen E. Korman	PA	
257	Helen E. Korman	PA	
502	Urania Suess	PA	
230	Martha Digang	PA	
358	Adolf Tokarczyk	PA	
406	Evelyn Adamczyk	PA	
227	Joan Huchenski	PA	
180	Irene D. Chepiga	NJ	
138	Francis J. Poplawski	PA	
221	Norman Czajka	IL	
230	Norbert Klow	IL	
395	Betty Sluk	PA	
405	Paulina Kwasnik	PA	
182	Franciszek Skubis	IN	
275	Bronislawa Pikus	IL	
258	Esther J. Trost	IL	
275	Adeline R. Fudula	IL	
3	Frances Eckholm	SD	
358	Kazimierz Solarek	PA	
	† † †		

May the souls of the faithful departed rest in

A Mass for deceased members is celebrated monthly by Chaplain Rev. Patrick L. Albert

## Membership Winners Honored

As of part of the Annual Meeting of the Polish Union, the 2013 Membership Winners were invited to a dinner with the Board Members. A check presentation was also made at that time. Those persons honored at the dinner are as follows: Mary Ann Arnold (1st place tie certificates sold); Anita Sirak (1st place certificates sold); Bernard Kolodziej (2nd place certificates sold); Joan Wisinski (2nd place face amount of insurance sold); John P. Bednarski (2nd place annual premiums sold); Charlotte L. Androckitis (1st place annual premiums sold); and Linda Howell (1st place face amount of insurance sold).

The Polish Union Board congratulates all the winners and thank all that signed up new members and recommended members

## **National Household**

Membership Dues
In April of 2014 the Polish Union sent \$12 invoices household. We would sincerely like to thank those that voluntarily submitted their payment. It is because of your generosity that the Polish Union will continue to focus on new ventures in the areas of religious, cultural, social and fraternal activities.

## At NE Penna Fraternal Seminar

The Fraternal Societies of NEPA recently held their Annual Seminar for member societies and guests.

Felicia Perlick, President of the FSNEPA, welcomed all. Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky of the Polish National Catholic Church gave the invocation. Presentations were made by Annette Szady of the PA Insurance Department and Allan Ferrone of CPS Actuaries.

Those attending the seminar from the Polish Union are: CEO/National Secretary Charlotte L. Androckitis; President, Bernard Kolodziej; Chaplain, Rev. Patrick L. Albert; Directors, Nancy Bachurek, William Giebus and Terri Rumensky.

Home Office of the Polish Union of

The beautifully designed edifice was

U.S.A., Downtown, Wilkes-Barre, PA

dedicated in 1938. the lower floor con-

tains a two-room auditorium. Business

offices and board room are located on the

second floor, there are many designs on

the exterior and interior of the building

which refers to the fraternal's ethnic her-

## **Uphold Tradition of Convention New Member Applications**

Every four years the Polish Union holds a National Convention. This is Convention year and many important decisions will be made for the Polish Union. Delegates are asked to come to the Convention to represent not only their groups but the entire organization. This means that they should be prepared by reading all of the information send to them as well as thinking of new ways to help our Fraternal to continue to fulfill its

As you are aware, life insurance is our product and everyone should have some life insurance in their investment portfolio. It isn't always a product that someone thinks about purchasing but there definitely is a need for it. Sometimes a gently nudge from someone just might do the trick.

As a Life Insurance Company, it is very important that the delegates try to have new member applications sent to the Home Office in advance. I know that everyone isn't a sales person but I am sure that you can recommend someone that needs our product.



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CHARLOTTE L. ANDROCKITIS, F.I.C. CEO/NATIONAL SECRETARY

We have many licensed agents that can speak with the person that you refer and you will be recognized for your efforts at the Convention. We would appreciate non delegates to recommend new members as well.

Let us all resolve to make this years Polish Union convention to be a very productive one not only with the decisions that are made but by the new members that are obtained during the rest of this year.

## It's Convention Time!

The last few issues of our Journal contained items relevant to our 38th Quadrennial Convention set for Sept. 12 and 13, 2014 at Genetti's Best Western in Wilkes Barre, PA. We remind our members and especially those elected as Convention Delegates that we have some important days before us as deliberations ensue. There will also be plenty of time to socialize, renew old acquaintances, and establish new fraternal friendships. Committee members and Hotel personnel are working to make your stay joyful and

Our recent meetings with State Insurance personnel and seminars with state and local Fraternal groups have included steadily increasing emphasis on more stringent insurance and management regulations. Presenters at these meetings call for improved governance by the Boards of our Societies. We in turn, have kept our Board and Committees fully informed. This is just one major issue demanding the attention of our Delegates and another is the movement toward modernizing our management team and Board structure. Actually, some initial steps were made at our Special Convention in March 2010 and more proposals are being developed by the Committees.

We are counting on the Delegates to effectively deliberate and make decisions which favorably direct the future of our organization.

Happy Memories

I am taking this opportunity to thank everyone at Polish Union for their kindness and assistance throughout the many



President's

BERNARD KOLODZIEJ

years I served this wonderful organization. My term as President ends with the convening of the 38th Quadrennial Convention and I have decided not to aspire for any office. There have been many joyous memorable years of involvement with Polish Union and the range of activities is broad in scope. My Grandfather was a Group Secretary and he saw that I became a member while still an infant. Other than attending summer outings and Lodge meetings my early participation was limited. Activity increased in the 1960's when Mr. Grabowski and Mr. Fabian encouraged me to organize my own Group. This led to increased voluntary activity in Polish Union affairs and election to the Board in 1970 at the Chicago Convention. Except for some short interruptions due to my regular work schedule I served Polish Union to the best of my ability and remain committed as a supporter of the Organization. We are blessed with a cadre of young energetic volunteers who have fresh ideas and foresight to keep fraternalism flourishing. I wish them and all of our Polish Union members the best in all future endeavors.

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## **Wreaths Were Used To Catch Life-Time Partners**



Chaplain's used as devices of purification. Corner REV. PATRICK ALBERT

Not all traditions in our world are directly related to religious sect or Catholic history. A midsummer Polish tradition that actually dates back to pagan times is a festival called Wianki (V-Ain-Key). Roughly translated Wianki means wreath or for our purpose "Wreaths". Wianki began as a pre-Christian fertility festival that honored the Slavic Goddess "Kupala". Kupala was associated with the elements of water and fire

Kupainocka as it developed was the practice of wreath floating and bonfire jumping. With the Advent of Christianity coming to Poland, efforts were made to Christianize Kupala; thus it became St. John's Eve. Despite the greatest of efforts to Christianize this originally pagan holiday, Wianki maintains many of the original Summer Solstice

Krakow holds the largest Wianki celebration where young women weave garlands or wreaths out of symbolic herbs and float them in the Vistula River. Concerts, fireworks and wreath floating are some of the main events as well as the selling of arts and crafts and traditional foods.

## **Send Us Your News**

Polish Union Members as well as Grand Council Members are asked to send articles along with a picture (if possible) to Public Relations Coordinator, Chris Pagoda at the Home Office via mail; or

> E-mail to: cap@polishunionusa.com Questions? call Chris at (570) 823-1611.

## **Holocaust Remembered**

The Polish American Congress of Northeaster PA recently held its 36th annual Holocaust Mass at St. Stanislaus Koska/St. Andre Bessett Church in Wilkes-Barre. The Rev. Kenneth Seegar presided.

The service memorialized those who perished in the 27 known concentration camps

in Europe along with more than 15,000 Polish Army officers and intelligentisia massacred in the Katyn Forest.

Prior to the Mass, PAC members presented special gifrts and lit candles in memory of those who perished with a final candl memoralizing Polish born Pope, St. John Paul II.



Polish American Congress members attending, were, front row, from left: William Giebus, Polish Union; Bernardine Regis, Polish Women's Alliance; Patricia Sulkowski, Treasurer, former Commissioner, Polish National Alliance; Rev. Seegar; Felicia Perlik, Polish Women's Alliance; Carol Matiko, Secretary and former Commissioner, Polish National Alliance; Ted Harowicz, Polish National Alliance; Mary Ellen Kolodziej, Polish Union. Second Row: Michael Matiko, Commissioner, Polish National Alliance; Dennis Hlavac; Bernard Kolodziej, Polish Union; Bernard Dymond, President and former Commissioner, Polish National Alliance

## **Scholarship Opportunity** For Pennsylvania Members The Pennsylvania Fraternal Alliance, of which Polish Union is a member, has

announced the availability of scholarships for Pennsylvania fraternal members.

At least one \$500 scholarship will be awarded. Additional scholarships may be awarddepending upon available funds.

• Judging will be done by the scholarship committee of the Pennsylvania Fraternal

Awards will be announced at the Pennsylvania Fraternal Alliance annual meeting in October, 2014.

- Acceptance of attendance from college, university, trade school, etc. must accompany this application.
  - Use the application below or download a copy at www.pafraternal.org.

#### Rules and Regulations

Applicant Must

- Be a resident of Pennsylvania and a member of a Fraternal Benefit Society that is a member of the Pennsylvania Fraternal Alliance.
- Be a 2014 high school graduate attending an accredited college, university, trade school, etc. in the summer/fall of 2014 as a full-time student (twelve semester credits). • Obtain a letter of recommendation from your Fraternal Benefit Society.
- Submit a 500 word essay on: How your Fraternal Benefit Society has made an impact on your daily life, your family and your community..
  - Sign the statement of application at the bottom of this application
- Return completed application, essay and letter of recommendation, proof of acceptance from your college, university, trade school, etc. postmarked no later than September 1, 2014 to:

Charlotte L. Androckitis, FIC, Chair Pennsylvania Fraternal Alliance Scholarship Committee Polish Union of USA **PO Box 660** Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703-0660 570-823-1611

Please Print or Type

Date: Social Security #	Date of Birth
Name	
Address	
City/State/Zip	
e-mail address	
Your Fraternal Benefit Society	
College you will attend in 2014/2015	
Scholastic Achievement (Honors-Awards)	
Extracurricular School Activities*	
Civic (non-school) Activities*	
Fraternal Benefit Society Activities*	
* Information may be submitted on a separate sheet o	of paper, please type or print.

#### Statement of Application

I understand that my selection for this scholarship is based upon my answers to these questions and the essay I have written; and, further that my application is in competition with other eligible persons and that the decision of the Pennsylvania Fraternal Congress is final. This application is completed with my knowledge and consent, and false information will void the award. The information that is provided in this application is true and complete.

**Signature of Applicant and Date** 

At the Annual Meeting
All Directors joined with the Polish Union officers in Weilkes-Barre to dis-

cuss matters of importance to the Union and plans for the upcoming convention. The event also provided an opportunity to recognize the 2013 Membership Winners who were invited to a dinner with the Board Members.





## 65th Kosciuszko Ball Planned

The Wilkes University Polish Room Committee is planning the 65th annual Kosciuszko Scholarship Ball to be held on Saturday, January 24, 2015 at the Woodlands Inn and Resort, Plains Township, PA. A \$3,000 scholarship will be presented to a student of Polish background with a high academic average. The Judianne Stanitski Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 will be given to another student sponsored by Frank and Monica Stanitski. Music will be provided by the George Tarasek Orchestra. The Ball is open to the public and all who are interested are invited to attend. For reservations please contact Mrs. Jeri Jecen at 570-655-1893. If you would like to be a sponsor or a patron please contact Mrs. Josephine Kline at 570-823-4296.

The Wilkes University Polish Room has held many joint ventures with the Polish Union during the past several years and they continue to support the activities of our Fraternal. It is a great social event, why not plan to attend?

## Seek Area Agents

We have been directed by our Board to assure current members of services available through out organization and also concentrate on recruiting new members. Records indicate that many of our members do not have sufficient coverage for needs typically required later in life. There are others who have family members without coverage and we are obliged to serve our membership by keeping them fully informed.

Area Agents will be assigned, under contract, in sections where such services are needed. We are licensed in PA, Ill. and NJ check the website

and opportunities are potentially available in those states.

Initially our plan is to have designated agents from within our ranks provide this service. Beyond the proscribed scope of service, Area Agents will also have the opportunity to recruit new members from the general population. Licensed Agents affiliated with Polish Union are eligible to apply. Specific areas are now being designated and interested individuals may obtain more details by calling the Home Office and/or

## PRE-CONVENTION MEMBERSHIP CONTEST

GROUP SECRETARIES AND LICENSED AGENTS YOU STILL HAVE PLENTY OF TIME TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONTEST **NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS** SUBMITTED ANY TIME PRIOR TO AUGUST 31, 2014 WILL QUALIFY FOR THE CONTEST

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## **About Our Members**

#### Gandar Graduates



Victoria Norma Gandar, graduated from Chicago Academy High School in Chicago on June 7. Victoria will continue on to Paul Mitchell Beauty Academy in the Fall. Victoria is the daughter of Michelle and John LaVelle of Group 378.

#### ONeil Honored

Barbara O'Neill, Polish Union of USA 2005 Fraternalist of the Year was recently honored by the Pennsylvania Department of Aging. Mrs. O'Neill, a volunteer ombudsman with Serving Seniors, Inc. in Lackawanna County, was awarded the 2014 Volunteer Spotlight Award and also received a Proclamation from Pennsylvania Governor Tom Corbett. Mrs. O'Neill has been an active volunteer since 1999 and continues to

advocate for the rights of residents in area long-term living facilities.

Mrs, O'Neill is currently very active with the Polish Union serving as the secretary of Gr. 400, Scranton, PA; a member of the Zonta Club of Scranton, the 2005 Polish Union of USA Fraternalist of the Year and a delegate to the past three Conventions of the Polish Union.

The entire membership sends their congratulations to her for a job well done!

#### High School Bound



Andrew Westfallen of Group 378, graduated 8th Grade from William J Onahan School in Chicago on June 2, 2014. Andrew will be attending William Howard Taft High School in the Fall. Andrew is the son of members Robyn Carpenter and Stephen

## Council 17 Makes Plans Council 17 recently held their meeting in Scranton, PA with P.K. Dende pre-

siding. The group reviewed their activities from the past year and began to initiate plans for the remainder of 2014. Brief reports were given by Charlotte Androckitis, CEO/National Secretary, William Giebus, Activities Chairman, and Bernard Kolodziej, President regarding past and future activities including reference to the Summer outing at Knoebel's Grove and the 2014 Convention.

Specific details were presented by Terri Rumensky who coordinated the Pysanky egg coloring program in the Moscow, PA area and Emily Stefanac invited the members to share in planning the Debutante Ball scheduled for November 2014 at Genetti's in Wilkes Barre, PA. Charlotte Androckitis made a special note of the need for a person to volunteer as Coordinator of the Miss Polish Union program.

Nancy Bachurek recruited her nephew, Mark Selvenis of Dickson City, PA. as a new member of the Council. He is a member of Group 163 and was welcomed to the Council by President P. K. Dende.





# Happy Birthday - Sto Lat To Our Senior Members

July-September, 2014

Reaching Age 96
Leo C. Banner, Columbia, PA Margaret Baumler, Chester, PA Alan Belenski, Lafayette, CO Florence Biercevicz, Shelton, CT Helen Halaj, Chicago, IL Antonina Rakfal, Dallas, TX Helen Zukoski, Scranton, PA

Reaching Age 90 Henryka Baldery, Carbondale, PA Jessie Brutzman, Scranton, PA Marjanna Brzezicka, Hazleton, PA Evelyn Deangelo, Lisle, IL John Grontkowski, Scottsdale, AZ Ann V. Ksiazek, Rochester, NY Marilyn Kuntz, Lancaster, PA Helena Modzelewski, E. Brunswick, NJ Rose Mary Nobile, Columbia, PA Alfonse Nowakowski, South River, NJ Cecylia Odziomek, New Hope, MN Joseph Problys, Colorado Springs, CO Sylvia Progovitz, Johnson City, NY Norma Schmidt, Laflin, PA Violet Shumski, Archbald, PA Joan Sims, Chicago, IL Gertrude Sokolnicki, Glen Lyon, PA Stanislawa Trzeciak, Windber, PA Helen Wilczynski, Chicago, IL Weroni Yockobishen, Doylestown, PA

Reaching Age 85
Frank Andrukiewicz, Hudson, PA Joseph Bering, Lebanon, PA Klara Bolanowska, Laflin, PA Jean M. Colan, Scranton, PA Stanley Grzymski, Annapolis, MD Eneanor Gunia, Norridge, IL

Rozali Jesikiewicz, Plains, PA Teresa Klepadlo, Wilkes-Barre, PA Jan Kropiewnicki, Bloomsburg, PA Angela Lebrasca, Lancaster, PA Maryann Lementowicz, E. Brunswick, NJ Jozef Orzech, Pittston, PA Aleka Pashinski, Nanticoke, PA Sophie Pointon, Swoyersville, PA Lambert Schaller, Paradise, PA Albert Strellish, Dupont, PA Constance Szustak, Plains, PA Agnes Tomchak, Lake Ariel, PA Joseph Vrobel, Hudson, FL Rita Wesnak, Dunmore, PA Edmund Wieckowski, Pompano Beach, FL Helen Yadlosky, Jermyn, PA

Reaching Age 80 Nancy Bearfield, Las Vegas, NV Richard Cotterman, Oil City, PA Joan Girmen, Wilkes-Barre, PA Joan Konopka, Scranton, PA Florence Lowell, Lakewood, NJ Janet Mcparland, Jamestown, PA Robert Mongeau Sr., Lancaster PA Susan Niznik, Bear Creek Twp, PA Theresa Rumensky, Dickson City, PA Anna Sellock, Dupont, PA Theresa Tremblay, Hanceville, AL Richard Warren, Chicago, IL Franciszka Zerman, E. Brunswick, NJ

And to all our Members and Readers who celebrate Birthdays in these months, Happy Birthday—Sto lat

NOTE: If a member does not wish to have their birthday announced, please notify the Home Office.

## Flag Day at VA Hospital

Northeast PA. recently entertained the veterans at the VA Hospital in Wilkes Barre, PA. Following a brief program celebrating Flag Day, the patients enjoyed a Bingo session coordinated by CEO Charlotte Androckitis and volunteers from the Fraternal Societies. Prizes were canteen books which the patients use as cash in their cafeteria and canteen. In addition to the \$200 worth of canteen books, FSNEPA donated \$500 which they raised for use by the VA recreation department. Our youngest volunteer, Bill Giebus' grandson Jonathan also helped by distributing ice cream treats to all in attendance. This event is just one of the community service projects sponsored by the Fraternal Societies. FSNEPA President Felicia Perlick extended thanks to all who participat-



## **Upcoming Activities & Events**

#### Clip and Save

Members are encouraged to participate in all educational, cultural, civic and social activities sponsored by Polish union of USA. the following activities are yours for the taking. They are designed for all ages. We urge you and your family to participate in

#### 2014

September

38th Polish Union Quadrennial Convention to be held at Gennetti's Sept 12-14th Best Western in Wilkes-Barre, PA

Sept 27 **Chicago Annual Meeting**, details to be announced in a future issue.

Oct. 26 Children's Halloween Party 1 -3 p.m., Polish Union Headquaters,

Community Room, Wilkes-Barre..

November Annual Debutante Ball Genetti's Best Western in Wilkes-Barre..

December

Dec. 7 Chicago Groups Annual Childrens Party to be held from 2-5 PM, a loca tion to be announced.

Nov. 1

All dates and times are subject to change. For the latest revisions or additions, or to register on-line, go to www.PolishUnionUSA.com or phone (570) 823-1611.

# News From

Toni Storts 708-216-9624 Joan Wisinski, 708-448-6936 days, or 708-361-4180 evenings



#### Happy Summer to All!

On June 7, 2014 the Chicago Groups held their Pre Convention Meeting for all Delegates attending the 2014 Convention in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. All groups were represented and forms to be filled out were mailed to the Main Office. Photo above shows those gathered.

#### Congratulations to all 2014 Graduates.

Our Annual Childrens Christmas Party for all Chicago Groups will be held on Sunday December 7, from 2-5pm at Mayfair Banquets in Westchester, for all member children ages 12 and under. Please contact your group secretary by November 10, with the names and ages of all children attending with their Parents and grandparents.or call Toni Storts at 708 562-3153 or Joan Wisinski at 708 361-4180.

Our Condolences go out to the James Dombroski family. On the passing of their father and grandfather in April 2014. He is in our prayers. Members of Group 275.

Celebrating his 50th Birthday on July 6th is Tom J. Wisinski of group 275. Many more Happy and healthy years to you.

Group 275 Birthdays in July are Margaret Antene, Jennifer Cybulski, Jacob Dombroski, Mary Glusak, Jonathan Majka, Kevin Michalec, Patricia Moskal, Joshua Piet, Lottie Puzio, Joan Roman, Kimberly Ryan, Barbara (Orlow) Strahl on July 9th.

Group 230 July Birthdays are Theresa Barnat, Lori Ann Becker, Charles Bednarz, Marie Blasko, Helen Damask, Judith Falborski. Susanne Fencl, Laura Giebel, Erin and James Hyerczyk, Jeffrey Jerousek, Paul Richard Kalfas, Raymond Kalfas, Barbara Klimek, Nicholas Milbratz, Judith Rees, Rebecca Shurhay, Sara Skwara, Gayle Stachel, Lisa Storts, Morgan Suffredin, Rosemary Tepper, Randall Teusch.

Happy 20th Wedding Anniversary to Debra and William Grgantov celebrating on August 13, 2014. Members of Group 275.

Happy Birthday in August to Group 275 members- Kevin Antene, Karen Blizniak, Dennis Deptula, Alice Dziedzic, Robert Gabriel, Helen Gabryel, Maureen Goulding, Audrey Grand, Helen Halaj, Adam, Christine and Douglas Kotlarczyk, Dawn Krejczyk, Danielle Luna, Michael Mcevilly, Bonaventure Nawrocki, Michael Newman, Brian Patoska, Terrence Radek, Joan Sims, Carol Trzebiatowski, Karol Zielinski and Venus Rose Wisinski on August 30th.

August Birthdays from Group 230 are Lisa Bednarz, Ernest Doman, Linda Falborski, Charles Fencl, Zachary Gasiorowski, Charlene Herzog, William Hyerczyk, Alexis Kalfas, Paula Kalfas, Emilia Majcher, Rose Malek, Morgan Spencer, Mark Suarez, Britt Unnerstall, Caitlynn Unnerstall, and Lance Young.

Please remember to sign up new members with your Group Secretary and read about the contest for the convention. or call your District Directors for insurance forms.

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September Birthdays from Group 275 are Marin, Sarah and Susan Antene, Angeline Badger, Robert Deptula, Philip Dzialowy, Margaret Flowers, Shannon Majka, Jacob Platt, Randall Potempa, Eotelle Radek, Stella Schuirman, James Strojny, Michael Szymusiak, Morgan Wasilewski and Thomas Steven Wisinski on September 15th, Thomas Zolna.

Group 230 September Birthdays are Addison Aldrich, Bernadine Burkhardt, Dennis Capek, Nathan Gallas, Joseph Hyerczyk, Sarah Jerousek, Lorraine Kalfas, Mark Klonowski, Norbert Klow, Jan Lazarowicz, Ramona Parker, Lisa Pielko, Antonina Rakfal, John Ruppert, Allison Schlumpf, Judith Suarez, Eric Wilim and Michele Young.

Any news about Chicago members engagements, weddings, births, graduations, etc. email to wisinski85@comcast.net and it will put in our column.

Egg Hunt Held at Kirby Park
Polish Union members and guests enjoyed an Easter egg hunt at Kirby Park in
Kingston, PA. sponsored by the Young Adult Committee. Karen Hilenski chaired the program with approximately 30 youngsters in attendance. Committee members supervised the subgroups according to age allowing for all to gather treats from the designated area. Additional refreshments and gifts from the Easter Bunny were also included. The Committee felt that the outdoor environment was more favorable for the party and will consider a similar arrangement next year. Non member guests were included for a token fee and some expressed interest in becoming members.













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Search For Missing Members
The Polish Union has been trying to locate the following individuals. Members have contacted us

in some instances regarding the names below but we have not received proper documentation to complete our paperworkt. Any information provided may help to settle any funds that may be due to these individuals.

Name Badowski Frank Becker Teresa Murray A Ciurej Ryszard Cronk Felicya Czachor Mary Filipiak Stanislawa Fiorda Stefania Harvey Arthur S Karwacki Ronald Kisla Emilja Klonowski Mark Peter Klow, Norbert, Kurland Sophie Lech John H Majchrowska Laurina Nashotka (Nasiadka) Edward Poplawski, Francis Pranger Thomas R Rezem Louis Ross Rose Ruppert John R Slavinskas Frances Smajek Wladyslaw Solomon Lillian E Sosnowska Rose Szczech Marjanna Whalen Florence Willman Magdalene Wisotzkey Ruth A Wlodarczyk Maria Zalewski Pawel

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Group 275 Joan Wisinski, Secretary In memory of James Dombroski

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## Keeping Things Cool, Polish Style

**Cold Cucumber Soup**Peel and slice thin 1 large or 2 smaller cucumbers, salt well and set aside at room temp 1 hour. Beat 2 qts. cold sour milk with whisk until creamy and add the cucumbers, including llquid that formed, 1 bunch chopped green onions, several T. fresh chopped dill and 1 bud crushed garlic. Refrigerate covered over night. Before serving, stir in 1 c. dill pickle juice, salt and pepper, 1 t. sugar and a little lemon juice or vinegar to taste.

#### Polish Malkshake

In blender combine 1 qt. ice-cold sour milk, 1-2 c. washed fresh sliced strawberries, raspberries or pitted cherries and several T. sugar. Blend until creamy and serve at once.

#### Cucumber Salad.

Fill salad bowl with peeled, sliced cucumbers, salt well and let stand 30 minutes. Pour away liquid, sprinkle with pepper and a little vinegar and serve. Some thinly sliced onion, chopped dill and sour cream may also be added. Also a sprinkling of sugar, if you like.

#### Marinated Mushrooms.

Drain 1 can button mushrooms. Place mushrooms in small jar. In pot combine one part water with one part vinegar (you will need 1/2 the amount of marinade that fits into the empty jar you are using). Add (for 1 c. marinade) l 1/4 t. salt, 1 t. sugar, 4 peppercorns, 1/2 bayleaf, 2 grains allspice and 3 cloves and simmer 15 mins. Pour cool marinade over mushrooms, seal and refrigerate at least 2 days before serving.

Fruit Soup

In pot combine 1 can cherry, blueberry or apple pie filling with 1 1/2 cans water. Bring to boil and simmer briefly. Serve over cooked egg noodles or butter-fried white-bread croutons. A dollop of sour cream may be added to each bowl.

#### **BraisedBeets**

In food processor coarsely grate 3 c. canned beets. Place in pot with 1 T butter, 1 heaping T:apple sauce, 2 T beet liquid, a dash of garlic powder and salt and pepper to taste. Simmer 10 mins. Adjust taste (depending on tartness or sweetness desired) with a dash of lemon juice and/or sprinkle of sugar. Beets may be thickened with 1 t. flur or more.

**Zesty Cranberry Sauce**Combinel can whole style cranberry sauce, I c. red currant jelly, 1 t. Iemon juice, heaping t. prepared horseradish and pinch of salt. Blend into a smooth sauce in blender or food processor and serve with meat or fowl.

Vegetable Salad

Combine 2 c. drained peas and carrots, 2 c. drained navy beans, 3 c. diced cooked potatoes, 1-2 c. diced dill pickles, 2 large cooking apples (peeled and diced), 1 bunch chopped green onions and 3-6 chopped hard-boiled eggs. Dress with sauce made from 1 part sour cream, 1 part salad dressing (e.g. Miracle Whip) and salt, sugar and brown mustard to taste.

Smacznego!

## **Koffee Klatch**

with P.K.



Dzien Dobry! Welcome to my kitchen. My guests were positively ecstatic. Our Pope John Paul II had been officially named a

It was so wonderful, especially for those of us who have Polish connections. We could all remember exactly where we were when we heard the news that Cardinal Karol Wojtyla had been elected Pope. It was one of those life moments you'll never forget.

I remember full well, after all, the news came just a couple of weeks after the Polish Union's Quadrennial Convention. My husband was probably the most excited and began scrambling to put together a complete record of the event for the newspaper.

But his papacy became so much more than one could have imagined.

We soon learned that he was a very intelligent and very pastoral pontiff. He could switch speaking in different languages almost at whim. He became the most travelled Pope and the longest serving one as well. He was athletic, too, hiking and hitting the ski slopes whenever the opportunity pre-

And, for those in Poland, he became a beacon of hope. He gave his countrymen the courage to gather and create the Solidarity Labor Union. The movement not only galvanized Poland, but spread across the whole of Central and Eastern Europe.

One-by-one, communist regimes in the Soviet Bloc fell, as did the infamous wall surrounding the city of Berlin. Eventually, the Soviet Union itself became fractured and largely disappeared from the maps.

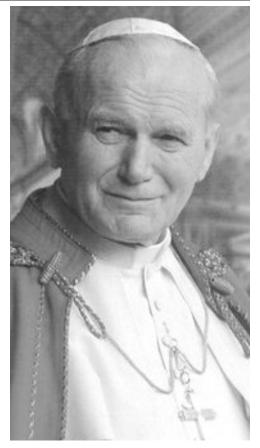
But perhaps even more importantly, he showed us a way to live life.

When a would-be assassin came close to taking his life, John Paul II went to the man's prison cell and forgave him.

He emphasized the potential of young people and the World Youth Days that continue today, attracted hundreds of thousands of youth to hear what this man had to say.

And even in his final days, he showed us that even when frail and sickly, one can still maintain one's dignity and remain a productive member of society.

Those of us who were lucky enough to live during his papacy will never forget him. And the shadow he cast over the entire



#### He's now Saint John Paul II

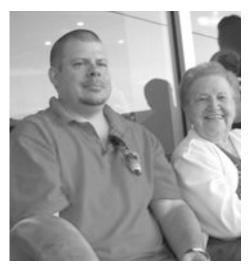
Church, remains a powerful influence today and in the years to come.

No, I won't forget where I was on that day in 1978 when he was named pope, and I certainly won't forget being glued to the TV watching him be added to the Saints of the Church this year. I'm sure none of you will

Happy Birthday and Happy anniversary who celebrate these months during the summer months.

Keep on sending me your letters and comments. Those of you who have not some written as yet, please write to P.K., 17 Laurel Drive, Scranton, PA 18505

## **Ballpark is Scene for North East** Pennsylvania Fraternal Flag Day Salute







The Fraternal Societies of NEPA, of which the Polish Union is a member, recently had its annual celebration of Flag Day at the Ballpark. The 75 plus persons present had a wonderful evening of food, fun and baseball. Pictured at left and below are some of those present having a great time. This is an annual event and anyone interested in attending next year is asked to contact the Polish Union or any other Fraternal that is a member.





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## St. Joseph's Day Fun

The annual St Joseph's dinner sponsored by the Polish Union and coordinated by Council #21 was held on Saturday March 22, 2014 at a Touch of Class at the Palace, in Wilkes-Barre. Chris Pagoda, Chair welcomed the nearly 90 members and guests, Chaplain Rev. Patrick Albert gave the invocation and Charlotte Androckitis, CEO/Natl Secretary led those present in a toast. As part of the program Melanie McAndrew, Miss Polish Union 2014, presented a tribute to St

Joseph and Father Patrick Albert did a special blessing of all Feast Day Honorees for all in attendance. The decorations were reminders of St. Joseph the carpenter, lilies, and a table that included a tree with decorations reflective of St. Joseph, a statue of our Honoree, and a framed description of St Joseph. Members of the committee were: Chris Pagoda, Chair, Charlotte Androckitis, Bill Giebus and Linda Howell all members of Council #21.



The St. Joseph's party was extra special for Bernie Tarasek, whose birthday was also celebrated there.











## Lessons Learned From Mom

- My mother taught me to appreciate a job well done.. "If you're going to kill each other, do it outside. I just finished cleaning."
- She taught me RELIGION. "You better pray that will come out of the carpet."
- She taught me about TIME TRAVEL. "If you don't straighten up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week!"
- My mother taught me LOGIC. "Because I said so, ! that's why."
- My mother taught me MORE LOGIC . "If you fall out of that swing and break your neck, you're not going to the store with me."
- My mother taught me FORESIGHT. "Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident."
- She taught me IRONY "Keep crying, and I'll give you something to cry about."
- She taught me about OSMOSIS. "Shut your mouth and eat your supper."
- My mother taught me about CONTOR-TIONISM. "Will you look at that dirt on the back of your neck!"
- 10. She taught me about STAMINA. "You'll sit there until all that spinach is gone."
  - . She taught me about WEATHER. "This

- room of yours looks as if a tornado went through it."
- My mother taught me about HYPOCRISY. "If I told you once, I've told you a million times. Don't exaggerate!"
- My mother taught me the CIRCLE OF LIFE. "I brought you into this world, and I can take you out."
- My mother taught me about BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION. "Stop acting like your father!"
- My mother taught me about ENVY. "There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do."
- My mother taught me about ANTICIPATION. "Just wait until we get home."
- . My mother taught me abour RECEIV-ING, "You are going to get it when you get home!"
- My mother taught me MEDICAL SCI-ENCE. "If you don't stop crossing your eyes, they are going to freeze that way."
- My mother taught me ESP. "Put your sweater on; don't you think I know when you are cold?"

# Help Us Find Our 2014 Fraternalist of the Year

#### **RULES & REGULATIONS**

- 1) Nominee must be a Polish Union member.
- 2) Board Members are not eligible.
- 3) A person can only be Fraternalist of the Year one time.
- 4) All Polish Union Members from all States can qualify.
- 5) Applications must be submitted by October 15.
- 6) Emphasis should be placed on volunteerism and community activities.
  - 7) There will be 3 judges.
- 8) All judges will receive a copy of the application submitted to review. The point system will be used to select a winner.
- 9) The Fraternalist of the Year selected shall receive a \$100 cash award and a plaque.

#### POLISH UNION OF USA

## "FRATERNALIST OF THE YEAR" AWARD

#### **NOMINATION FORM -**

(Please print or type all information) **ENTRY DEADLINE October 15, 2014** 

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Nominee's Name:	
spouse's Name:	
Home Telephone:	Business Telephone:
E-Mail Address:	
Number of Children:	
Children's Names:	
Occupation:	
I. ORGANIZATIONAL INFOR	MATION:
Nominee's Society:	
Group Number:	
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II. OTHER ORGANIZATIONS: To What other church or community organist the Nominee's achievements within the state of the sta	nization does the Nominee belong?
List the monninee's achievements within t	niese organizations.
V. Describe why you have not his award. (Use additional shominated by:  Drganization:	minated this individual to receive neet, if necessary.)

Mail Completed Application to: Fraternalist of the Year Committee Polish Union of USA • P.O. Box 660 • Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703-0660